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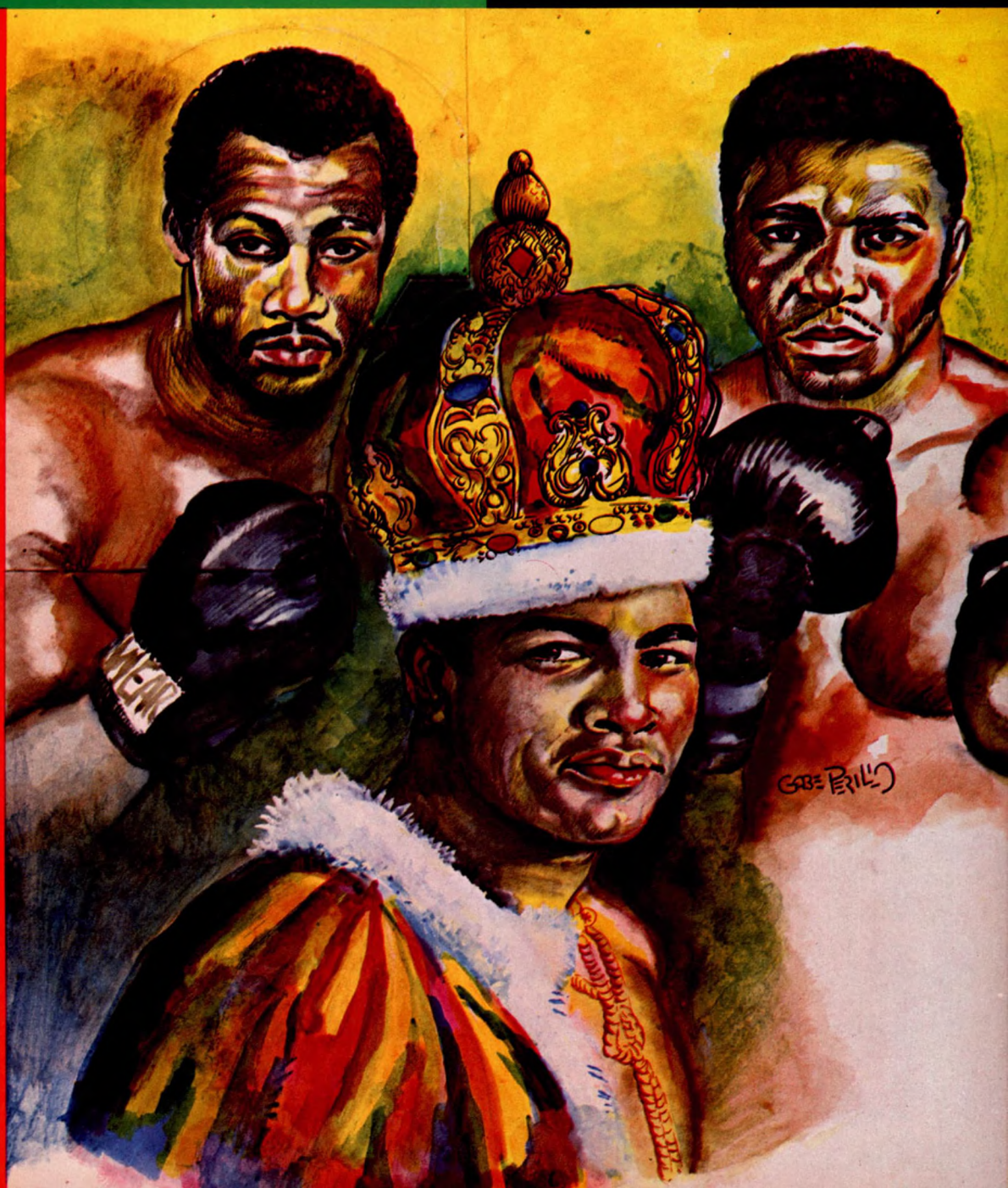

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EDITORIAL AS I SEE IT

by NAT LOUBET Editor AND Publisher of

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THE deluge of mail from our readers relating to the heavyweight situation does not come to the writer as a surprise since an old boxing adage that "as the heavyweights go so goes boxing" has been accepted down through the years.

There is no doubt that there is great validity to the statement and one has but to look at what Muhammad Ali, boxing's super salesman, has accomplished for boxing.

What most boxing buffs appear to fear is that, with the retirement of Ali, boxing will lose its hold on the public and go downhill.

To the neophyte who has not lived with the game for the number of years that the writer has, the fear would have logical grounds for acceptance, but to the student of the sport a solid look into the past gives hope.

One can go back to March of 1905 when James J. Jeffries retired undefeated due to what he termed "a lack of opposition".

Jeffries, by an authority that is not clear, named Marvin Hart and Jack Root to fight for the then vacant heavyweight title, with Hart stopping Root in 12 rounds to be accepted as the legitimate champion.

In 1906 Tommy Burns defeated Marvin Hart to gain the title. Another claimant to the title was Philadelphia Jack O'Brien, who had held Hart to a draw but Burns took care of O'Brien on the night of May 8, 1907, defeating O'Brien in 20 rounds to gain universal acceptance as the heavyweight champion of the world.

Burns then went on a world tour, fighting in France, England and Australia where a much heralded young fighter, Jack Johnson, caught up with him, and on December 26, 1908, Johnson won the crown from Burns at Sydney in fourteen rounds when police halted the fight.

Johnson went back to the U.S. where he had several scraps, but the fact that he was a black man caused a hue and cry to find a "white hope" to take the title from him.

Who was that man, of course, but James J. Jeffries, who was knocked out in fifteen rounds by Johnson at Reno, Nevada, on July 4, 1910.

Johnson got himself involved with the U.S. Government in 1912 and he was forced to flee to Europe, but the heavyweight pot was boiling, interest in boxing ran high, and the hunt went on to find a heavyweight "white hope."

The powers in boxing that be, found their man in Jess Willard, and Johnson was offered a chance to come back to America if he would face Willard. Many stories have come out about that fight which took place in Havana, Cuba, on April 5, 1915, in which Willard knocked out Johnson in 26 rounds. The stories ran that Johnson had thrown the fight, and Johnson even wrote a confession which was purchased by the late Nat Fleischer to prevent its being printed in another periodical. Johnson swore that he had not dumped the fight but that he was on his uppers and was forced to take the money to make ends meet. A later study by the Ring magazine of the fight proved his (Johnson's) contention that he was really knocked out.

Boxing buffs of the day were sure that when Jeffries quit the ring back in 1905 that boxing would go down the drain. If Jeffries could not find suitable opposition then the heavyweights were finished and so was boxing.

We know that this did not occur. Jack Johnson came along and by virtue of the controversy he aroused and his remarkable ring ability gave boxing a solid shot in the arm and there was no lack of interest in boxing.

When Willard won the title not too many believed that he would help the game at the gate. But before long another "saviour" came along in the person of Jack Dempsey, and with him a brand of sock 'em and rock 'em style that caught the fans' fancy and developed into the legend that exists today about the man.

In quick rotation new faces appear to give the heavyweights and boxing the stimulus it always

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(Below) Heavyweight contender Ken Norton with manager Bob Biron. (Right) "No fighter," says Norton, "can be better conditioned than I am going into a major fight. And I just don't think Jimmy (Young) can out-think me."

"I'll Eliminate Jimmy Young"

By KEN NORTON

JOE Louis said, "He can run, but he can't hide." Well that just about sums up the fight between Jimmy Young and myself. He's standing in my way and must be eliminated.

I know I'm number 1 with the WBA and WBC, but Ali has said, "I'll meet the winner of Norton-Young, but I can't fight both." I'll do whatever is necessary to get Ali back into the ring with me. Winning the title in any other way just wouldn't be the same.

I know Jimmy well and have respect for him as a ring technician. He is what they term in boxing as a "spoiler" or a "survivor." I think Jimmy got that way by working in the various camps with Ali, Frazier and even myself. He used the skills that he had in the gym working with the various top rated heavyweights and became an excellent heavyweight who could stay in there with anyone.

Jimmy's a much better heavyweight now because of the added experience and the confidence he's gained through his close fight with Ali, the win over Ron Lyle and of course, the big victory over Foreman.

I served an apprenticeship program with Joe Frazier too, and it was invaluable to me. Naturally my fights with Ali and knockout wins of Jerry Quarry and more recently, Duane Bobick, have me sky-high as far as my confidence is concerned.

Jimmy Young and I will definitely fight. The only thing that seems to be in question is when, where and for what promoter.

I've heard Jimmy talking about what he's going to do to me. Jimmy said that I have thin skin. I'd like him to tell me just when I've been stopped on a cut? I can answer that—never! If I haven't been cut in over forty-two fights, I don't know why Jimmy thinks that he's going to do it.

I'm not a one-punch knockout fighter. I never have been nor have I tried to be. It will be an accumulation of blows that will do Jimmy in.

I know he's elusive. He'll even stick his head out of the ropes to avoid getting hit. Of course, that kind of tactic is illegal and will just cost him points if he tries it. Those tactics just may have caused him to wind up on the short end of the decision with Ali.

He can remember, too, that I'm not a headhunter. I believe in going to the body. Jimmy's head is elusive, but his body will be there for me.

Jimmy's biggest wins—Lyle and Foreman—and they were great wins, were both against big, slow moving heavyweights. Jimmy had a great advantage in hand speed over both men, and he was also better conditioned. He also used his head more, which proved that he is a disciplined fighter.

I match Jimmy's hand speed and have a much stiffer jab. I don't think any fighter can be a better conditioned fighter than I am going into a major fight. And I just don't think that Jimmy can out-think me in the ring.

I'm a much better puncher than he is, which he will find out. But Foreman and Lyle were better punchers than he was also. The only difference is that they ran out of gas after five or six rounds and Jimmy was able to come on. That was his game plan—to survive the first five rounds and then come on. I don't run out of gas!

It's an interesting fight because we have contrasting styles. I'll keep the pressure on him and he'll look to land

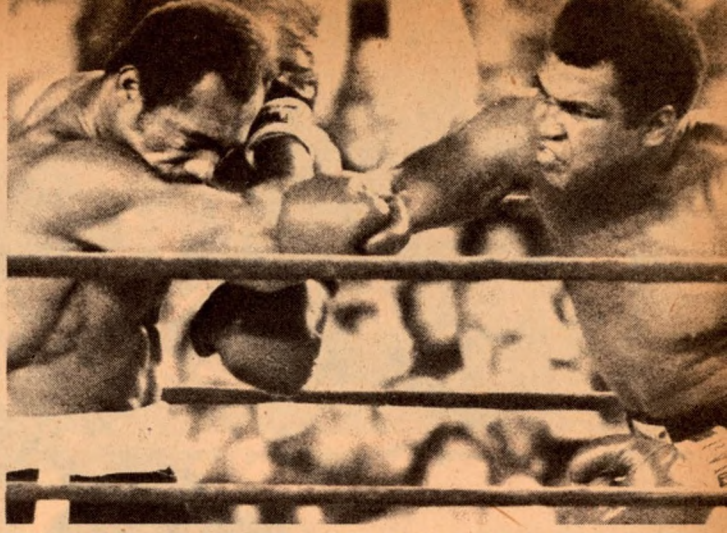
Ken takes some time off for a game of golf and notes, "I'll do whatever is necessary to get Ali back in the ring with me."

Ebonique gets a kind word from Ken, which is more than Young gets. "It's not Jimmy's style to be a big mouth," says Ken, "but if that's the kind of pre-fight war he wants to wage, I'll be glad to oblige."

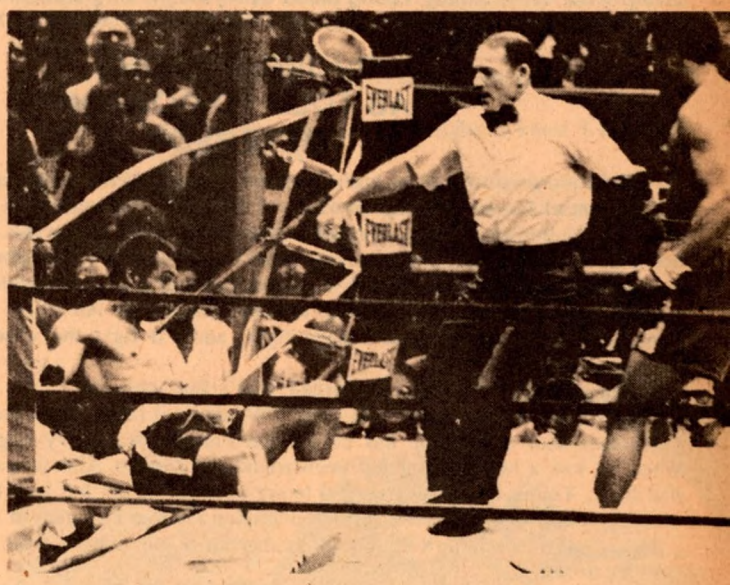
and score points with flurries. Styles make matches, and Jimmy figures to be a tough opponent for any heavyweight. He and I are without a doubt, number one and two in the division. The interest will be very high for our fight because the fans know that they'll be getting a real match between the two top men for the right to meet Ali for the crown they both feel they'll win if they can get at Ali.

Young did have his troubles early in his career, but he really matured. I've never been the kind of guy who knocks his opponents. Jimmy's doing pretty good though, trying to knock me. I don't really know why. Jimmy and I never really had any bad words. As a matter of fact, Jimmy was so quiet when we were in camp together, we never had too many words about anything. I think that somebody must be putting words in his mouth.

I do want to settle one score. Jimmy said in a post-fight television interview not too long ago, "I was thrown out of the Norton



(Above) Ali, right, fires a right at Norton in the 15th round of their most recent fight. Ken has said of that bout, "Ali knows it in his heart that I should be the champion today." (Below) Norton goes to the canvas in round two of the March 26, 1974, title fight against champ George Foreman in Caracas.



camp because I was too good."

That's a damned lie. I never chased Jimmy out of my camp. He boxed with me for my second Ali fight in 1973. As I said before, we never had too many words about anything. He was very quiet and showed up at the gym every day on time. He helped me get in shape for the fight, which I felt I won, and I helped him become a better fighter. We were good for each other at the time.

Now we'll be good for each other again. This time we're going to help each other make a lot of money. More important than anything else, one of us will get a shot at Ali, and I know it will be me.

It's not Jimmy's style to be a big-mouth. But if that's the kind of pre-fight war he wants to wage, I'll be glad to oblige.

I know that Ali will be rooting for Young to win, just like he was rooting for Bobick. I sure am messing up a lot of plans for a lot of people by pushing aside whatever they put in my path to the title.

Ali knows it in his heart that I should be the champion today. I would've given him a rematch. I would love the fight Ali with me getting the "champ's share."

I'm sorry Jimmy! I know you think that you beat Ali, too, and

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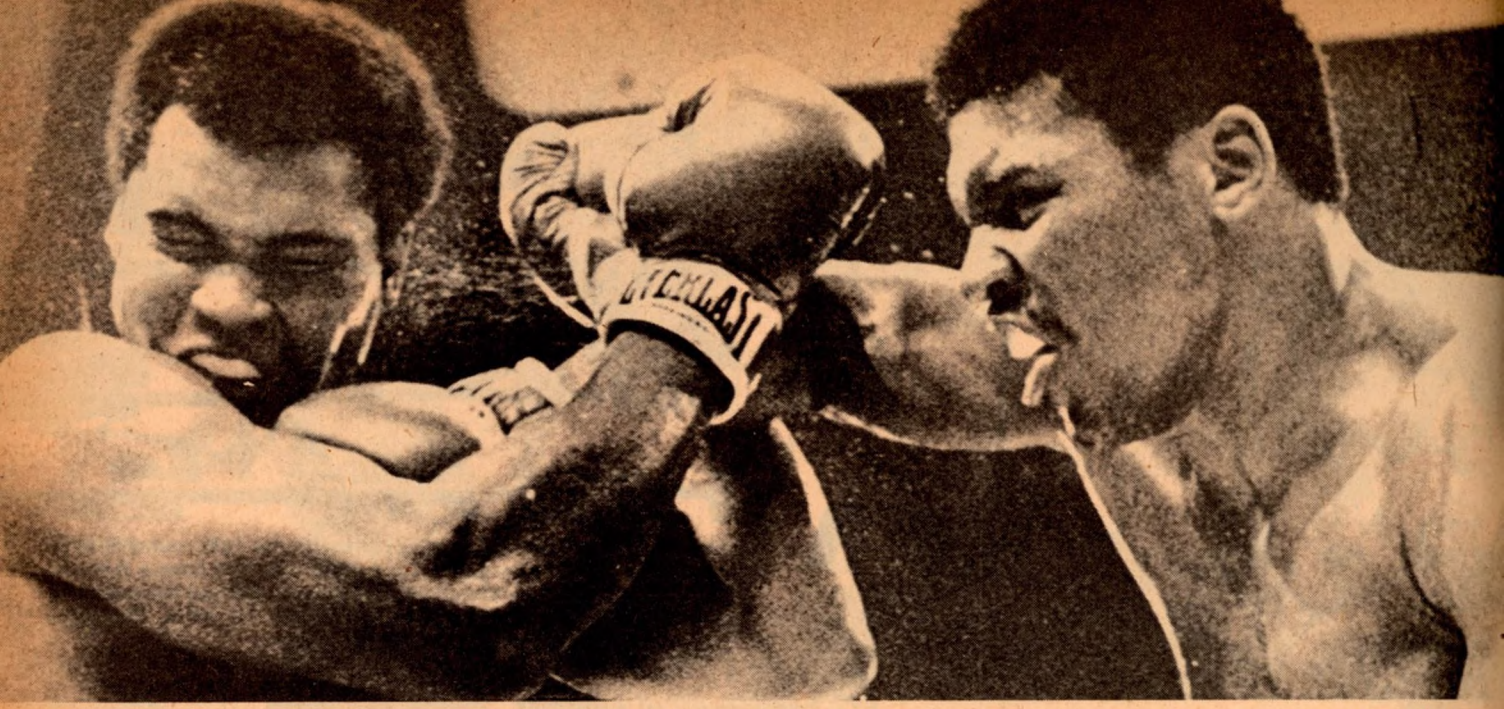


On April 30, 1976, Jimmy Young faced heavyweight king Muhammad Ali in Landover, Maryland, and lost a controversial 15 round decision. Young says Ali has deteriorated since then and would be an easy match at this point. (Below) Philadelphia heavyweight Jimmy Young.

By JIMMY YOUNG AS TOLD TO GORDON PETERSON

THE heavyweight division has splintered into a number of pieces during recent months. The current champion has lost so many of the skills that made him perhaps the greatest ring general of all time; George Foreman has decided to pursue his religious beliefs; Duane Bobick, the undefeated challenger went to the canvas in :58 of the first round against Ken Norton. And then there is Jimmy Young, the clever boxer who defeated George Foreman in his last fight. Both are considered as top challnengers for Ali's title.

Ali says, "Let Young and Norton fight, and I'll fight the winner and decide this thing once and for all."

As far as Jimmy Young is concerned, that's fine with him.

"I am ready for anybody," he says. "Whatever it takes to get the title."

Another shot at the title has eluded the Philadelphia heavyweight since April 30, 1976, when he lost a hotly disputed fifteen round decision to Alin in Landover, Maryland. Since that time, Young has fought several lesser opponents, but has also defeated Ron Lyle for the second time in his career and former champion George Foreman in a convincing fashion.

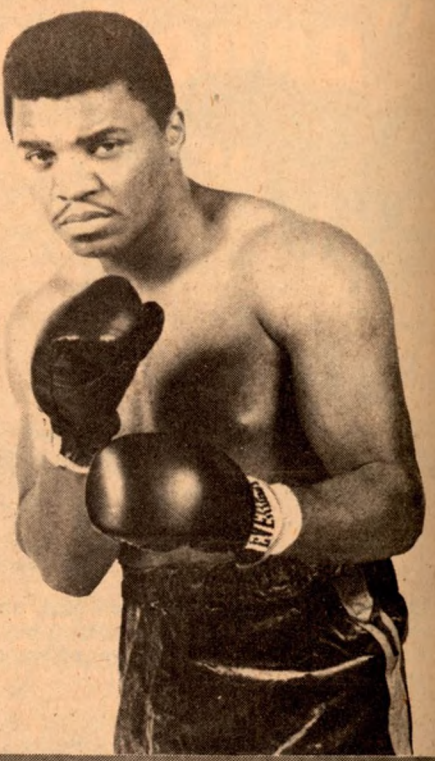
He is eager to fight Ken Norton, either in a elimination bout or as a title fight if Ali decides to retire.

"Norton can't get a title shot without me and I can't get one without him." Young said.

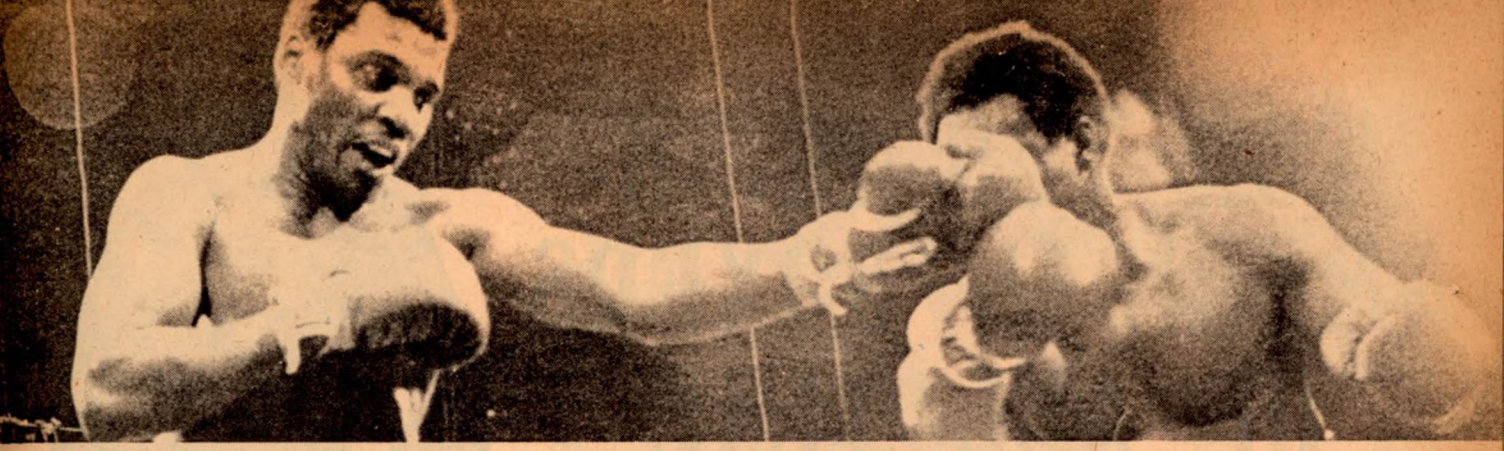
"The promoters are trying to put the fight together for September, but things are being held up. There will probably be a fight between the promoter's before the fight gets made," Young said.

"I don't care how it happens," he added, "I just want to get Norton in the ring."

He plans to start serious training at Joe Frazier's gym in North Philadelphia.



Says Young, "I'LL Be Heavyweight Champ By the End of the Year!"



In his fight against George Forman in March, Young, left, proved both that he has a harder punch than he is generally given credit for, and that he can stay out of trouble when he has to.

Young was born and raised in Philadelphia, and began boxing at 14 years of age at the 23rd District PAL gym at 22nd St. and Columbia Avenue. Oddly enough, it was a stolen transistor radio that has Jimmy Young on the verge of fighting for the heavyweight championship of the world.

He was walking home from school one afternoon some fifteen years ago when he was bullied by three older kids who demanded his newly acquired radio.

"Right then and there, I decided that it was time I learned how to defend myself," he recalled recently. He went over to the 23rd District Gym and began taking lessons. He was nearly six feet tall and weighed 175 pounds at the time. He quickly caught the eye of Bob Brown, a veteran of the small boxing club days of the 1940's. Bob began teaching the promising heavyweight all he knew about boxing and brought him along, slowly but surely.

Young had his first amateur fight at 16 and went on to win two New Jersey Golden Gloves title in Trenton. There was never another sport for Jimmy Young, it was always boxing.

"I used to watch the Gilette Cavalcade of Sports on Friday nights when I was eight years old," he recalled. "My idol was Sugar Ray Robinson, he was the greatest."

Like most up and coming fighters, Young had to scuffle to make a living outside boxing. He worked at various jobs; driving a truck, construction jobs of varying skills, cleaning and sorting laundry. His father, an expert welder, taught Jimmy the welding trace, so he could always find work.

In 1969, with a wife, small baby, and another on the way, he decided to turn professional for the same reason most fighters do—to make some money.

"I really enjoyed everything about boxing," he said. "I went to as many bosing shows as I could, watched it on television, and didn't really care much for any other sport. I just never gave much thought to turning professional."

In October of 1969, he won his first fight for pay, a four round decision.

"I was a little nervous, but after the fight, I knew I could become a good fighter," he recalls.

Most of Young's fights took place in the Philadelphia area, but it was his fight with Ron Lyle, then the fifth ranked heavyweight in the world, on the island of Hawaii, that catapulted him into the heavyweight picture. He won a unanimous ten round decision that night, making the hard hitting Lyle look very much overrated.

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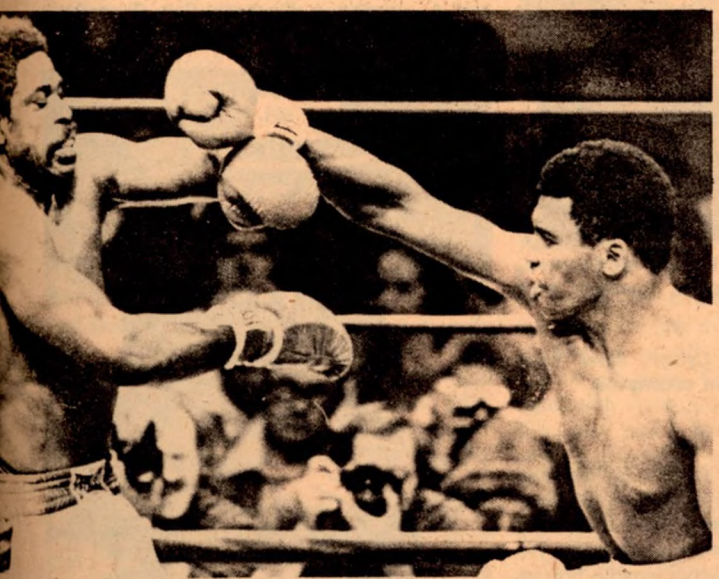


(Right) Jimmy Young as he appeared when the announcement was made that Ali won their bout in Maryland. (Above) Young, right, gave Ron Lyle a boxing lesson when they met in San Francisco last November. This was the second time the two squared off, and marked Young's second win.

TOP TEN IRISH-AMERICAN BOXERS OF ALL TIME

By LESTER BROMBERG

THIS is the big league of the ten best fighters, according to nationalities: the Irish-Americans. For as long as we can remember, we have thought of the Irish in numbers spawning the boxers of the world. So it is with pleasure we dip into the Varsity so-called and recall the Wearing of the Green.

Incidentally, this is second of The Ring's choices in top ethnic fighters. In the May issue we published the listing of Italian-American greats. The birthplace of all ringmen is important. I have not considered those who were born in Europe. The fact of being born here gives a varity of the color which is part of being so-called Irish-American.

Pride of accomplishment was the touchstone, and what was ever higher than winning the heavyweight championship? In fact, we came into the dawn of gloved boxing with two American-born Irish heavyweights—John L. Sullivan, the last vestige of brute strength, and James John Corbett, the dandy dancing master.

The fact that Corbett, born in San Francisco, eventually mastered Sullivan, the "Boston Strong Boy," in 21 rounds, has left its mark on this series as well as on history.

Although I have to admit their 1892 date was b.m.t. (before my time) I feel no hesitation in selecting Corbett as the best Irish-American of all time.

I make him No. 1, with Sullivan No. 2.

How can anyone fail to recognize the superb qualities of a Corbett? He went nonchalantly to battle at 178 to 212 pounds. He withstood the power and skill (never underestimate Sullivan) against whom he pitted his speed and know-how. And, when it came to the gut ability, he was there, comparatively fresh, and Sullivan was virtually prostrate.

And John L.'s picaresque farewell address when he took himself out of the ring is enough to qualify him. . ."If I had to lose, I'm glad it was to an American."

A personal touch concerning Sullivan. Many years later I saw one of film expert Jim Jacobs' movies. It was taken in 1910, long after John L.'s salad days. The very young films showed Sullivan sparring. And what quickness and professionalism for a fat, florid old man!

Now I step across a wide expanse of fistic turf to the era of modern greats Jack Dempsey and Gene Tunney. In a sense, we have a replica of Corbett-Sullivan. Dempsey, great national idol, was literally taken apart by a cultural superior and physically inferior young man. Gene was tough, Gene was resourceful, despite popular opinion at the time.

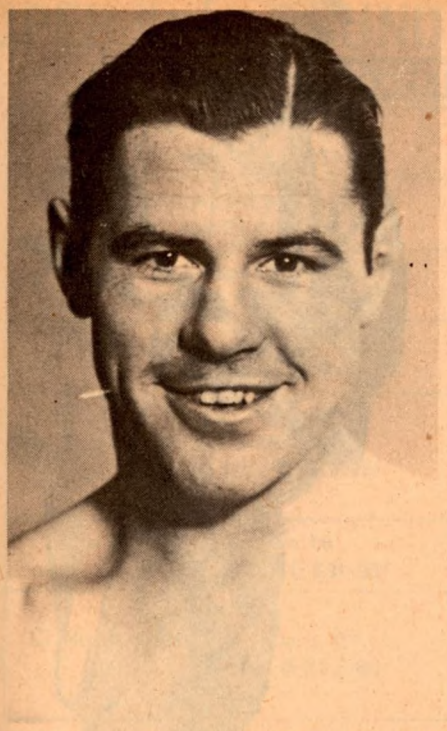
No. 10—"Terrible" Terry McGovern, Johnstown, Pennsylvania, bantam and featherweight champion.

(Right) No. 9—Johnny Lynch, New York bantam and featherweight champion.

And does it surprise you to realize that James Joseph Tunney, the man from New York's Greenwich Village, was Irish? He was a true great, a wicked body puncher. He had to be a man of undiscourageable bottom to undergo the personal hell Dempsey inflicted on his body. Especially in the famed long count when he was on the floor.

Non-Irish Dempsey obviously is rated over Tunney overall, but in the halls of Tara,

No. 1—James J. Corbett, San Francisco, California, heavyweight champion.



No. 7—Jimmy Slattery, Buffalo, New York, NBA light heavyweight champion.

No. 8—Billy Conn, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, light heavyweight.

Gene clearly is No. 3.

An swinging back to the smaller men, I choose for No. 4 Mickey Walker.

His credits run from the welterweight division, which he enriched during his championship. And they continued as a member of the middlweight championship, which he ruled with a mighty hand. He kept going with a foray into the light heavyweight division. He even stepped out and distinguished himself among the heavyweights.

With it all, he was a merry-eyed, laughing warrior. He would kill you with his punches and then drink with you in recollection when it was all over.

Edward Patrick Walker was this snub-nosed kid when he came up at the age of 17 from Elizabeth, N.J. He fought in the no-decision bouts and these fights were all blood and thunder. And they were pretty nearly all quality fights.

He cut his eye teeth on Marty Summers, Dave Shade, Soldier Bartfield, Pal Reed, Georgie Ward and Jock Malone. When he won the welter title he won so easily from hard-shelled Jack Britton they thought it was a fake.

Mickey kept going up. He had no trouble with Lew Tendler, a peerless southpaw, and, though he lost a middleweight title fight to Harry Greb, they were asking stridently for Walker after the finish.

When Tiger Flowers won the title from Greb, they, meaning the fight public, were glad to see Walker with Flowers. He handled Flowers, in every sense of the word.

Walker displayed his greatness after he put on weight. It's odd to use that phrase. He was always a small-boned man, lithe and cat-like and when he went from 160 to 170 he merely line-crossed the middleweight and light heavyweight divisions.

No. 5—Tommy Loughran, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, light heavyweight champion.

No. 6—Jimmy Braddock, New York, light heavy and heavyweight champion.

Then he produced the most remarkable feat of all time. The Mick made a unique fight with Jack Sharkey. Yes, I said Sharkey. Jack was a full-sized heavyweight, 196 pounds, a puncher and a boxer. Walker was 165. Sharkey's only weakness was a pysche thing. He sometimes didn't know when he was fighting or crying.

Happily Walker was very strong in that department.

On October 12, 1931, he met Sharkey over 15 rounds at the house of the unusual, Brooklyn's Dodgerville, Ebbets Field. The Toy Bulldog (He owed Francis Albertanti, the ace publicist, for that fitting name) ripped and tore against the stolid, inwardly timorous Sharkey. They called it a draw.

Put a dark pencil around this one of Walker's 148 fights, because he turned in his remarkable effort one year after Sharkey lost to Max Schmeling and one year before Sharkey won the title back from Schmeling!

Now we come to sort of a throw back to Corbett or Tunney. For No. 5 I pick Tommy Loughran. He has the map of an Irish-American on his face and was born in Philadelphia. He was a light heavyweight champion. He could do everything—everything except punch.

He was perfection itself, judgement of dis-

tance, tireless legs, all-around condition. And he was an indefatigable campaigner. He risked the title five times in a 19-month period. He came back from two knockdowns against Leo Lomski to win in 15, and then defeated Pete Latzo (twice), Mickey Walker and Jim Braddock, all in 15.

For unforgettable drama you have to allot No. 6 to Jimmy Braddock. He was the Cinderella Man, winning the heavyweight championship from Max Baer amid a backdrop of up from rags-to-riches. He was light heavyweight champion, too. For technical skill he got high marks under demanding conditions. Most of all, in seemingly mediocre shape, arthritic ridden, he pulled off a 10 to 1 shot against Baer.

An interesting bit of history presages the naming of the next in the line. At the 1940 World's Fair in New York several prominent fighters, past and present, gave exhibitions.

One was brash young Billy Conn who boxed modern-style, hands high. Another was Jimmy Slattery, who performed old-style, hands dangling by his side.

Aside from these antecedents, completely Irish, they had nothing in common. Slattery was appalled by Conn's method of boxing. "What is this?" he gasped, "is he trying to cover up?"

In a flash, there was an understanding and this writer comprehends, the hands-down boxer has to have greater mastery. I pick Slattery for No. 7, Conn, No. 8. Not that I didn't feel for Billy's ability, which was considerable. Conn almost came through with the boldest display of courage against classic punching fury (the peak form of Joe Louis).

Turning our kaleidoscopic sights back sev-

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(Above) No. 4—Micky Walker, New Jersey welter, middle and light heavyweight champion.

(Right) No. 3—Gene Tunney, New York heavyweight champion.

(Below) No. 2—John L. Sullivan, Boston, Massachusetts, heavyweight champion.

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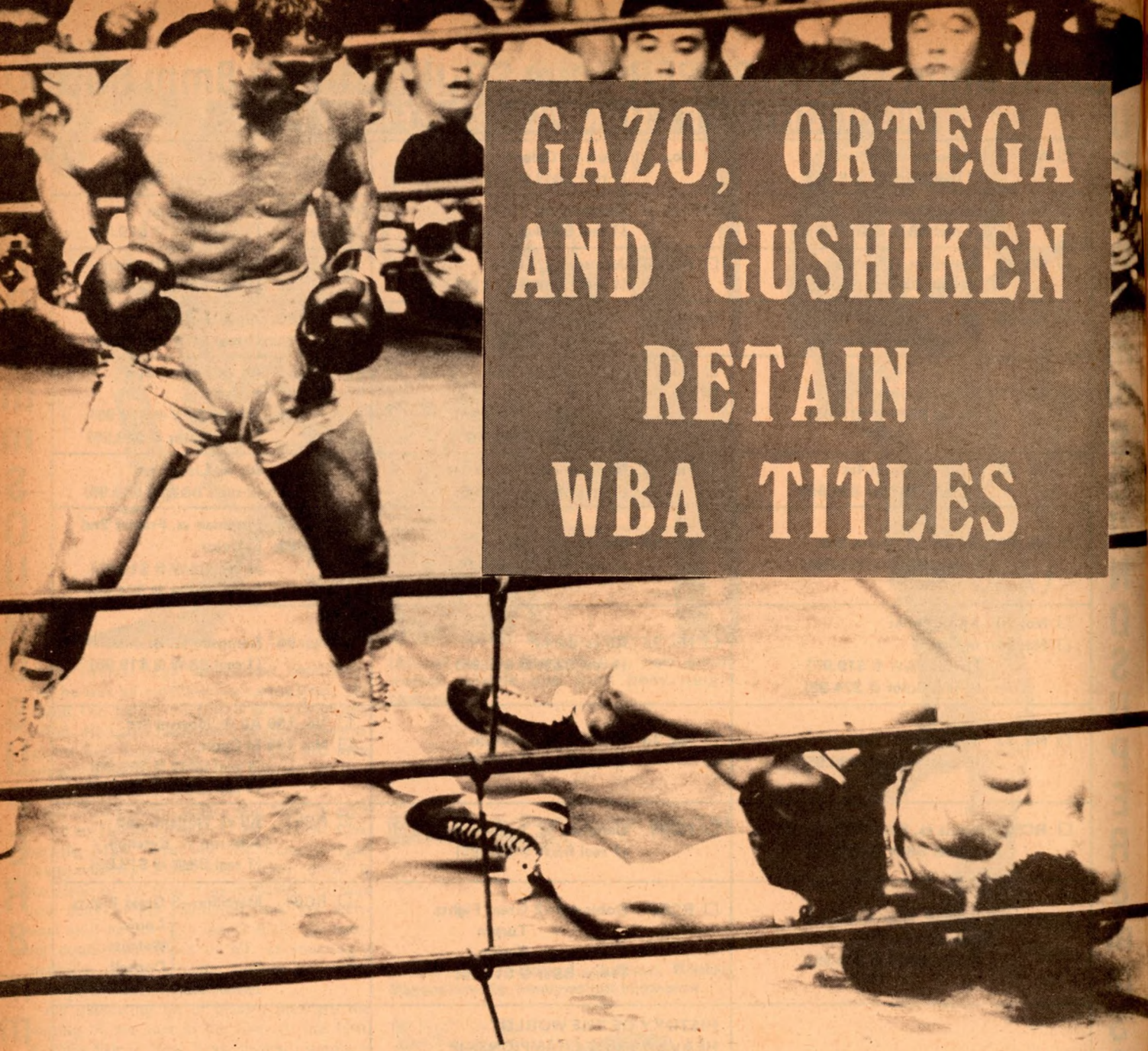


GAZO, ORTEGA AND GUSHIKEN RETAIN WBA TITLES

WBA junior middleweight king Eddie Gazo, Nicaragua, has Koichi Wajima on the deck in round 11 of their Tokyo title-fight. Wajima was counted out at 45 seconds into the round.

By JOE Y. KOIZUMI

JAPAN hosted three major title fights in which Japan's Yoko Gushiken, Panama's Rafael Ortega, and Nicaragua's Eddie Gazo successfully defended their WBA Jr. flyweight, featherweight and Jr. middleweight titles, respectively.

Yoko Gushiken, Japanese WBA junior flyweight champion, came to Sapporo to defend his title against Venezuela's Rigoberto Marcano.

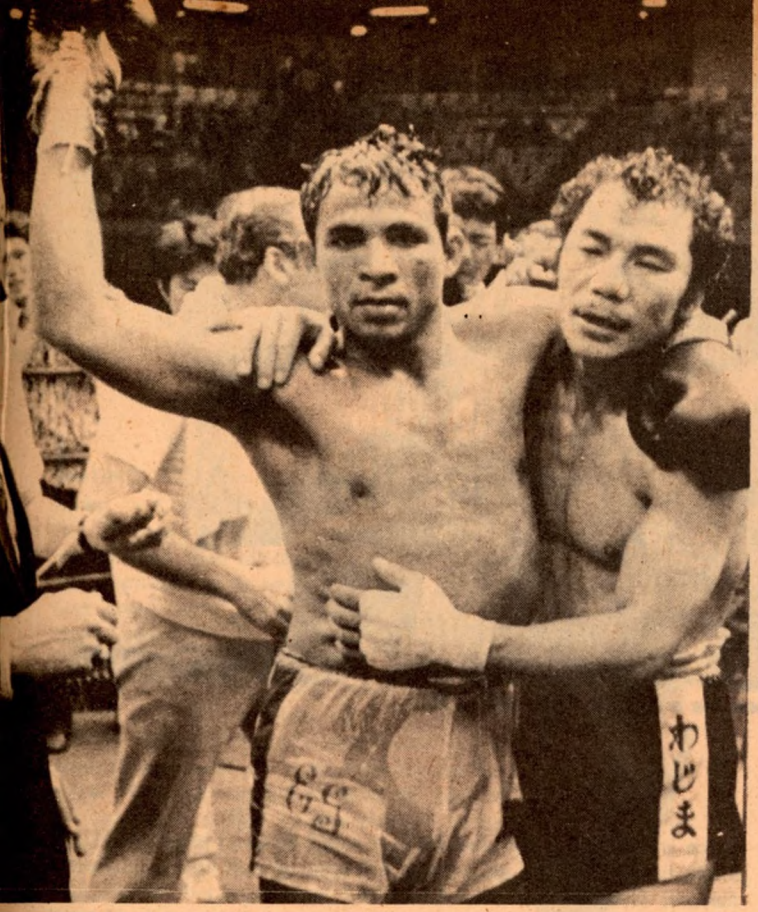
It was Gushiken's second defense since he seized the throne via a seventh round kayo over Juan Guzman of the Dominican Republic in only his ninth pro outing, at the age of 21, in Kofu City last October.

The 27-year-old Marcano, a student and single, is a slim, clever and defensive boxer who is one inch taller than the beetle-haired champ. Gushiken won a split but popular decision. Martin Denkin, the referee imported from the United States, scored the speedy affair 70-69, and Japanese judge Ken Morita had it 75-67, both for Gushiken. But Jesus Si Gonzales, the Venezuela judge tabbed a 72-68 score in favor of countryman Marcano and caused hot boo-ings from some 5,000 spectators in Makomanai Ice Arena.

Venezuela's Delio Amado Leon, who contributes to the Latin publication of The Ring, came here to broadcast the contest live to Caracas, and registered 66-63 on 5 points must system for Gushiken.

In the opening session, Marcano threw plenty of light leather while Gushiken cautiously probed his rival's mobility with smooth footwork. There were no substantial rallies exchanged until the third frame commenced. Marcano had compiled a 17-2 (10 by kayo) record including a points loss to Panama's Jaime Rios in an elimination to decide a new champion of the 108-pound class in 1975, when WBA began to establish the additional division.

Gushiken, having beaten Rios in his first defense four months previously, became aggressive enough to send a busy combination to Marcano's face, winning the third session. Despite losing the



Gazo raises his hand in victory as he is embraced by challenger Wajima. Wajima, who was trying to regain the title for the third time, retired after the bout.

Panama's WBA featherweight champ, Rafael Ortega, leaps over Japan's Flipper Uehara after a left uppercut floored the challenger in the fourth round of the Okinawa 15 rounder. Ortega took the nod.

next round, Marcano proved good at defense and managed to avoid the scrappy champ's continual rallies to the face and midsection by stepping back fast as well as tight blocking.

In round five, Marcano changed his strategy against his southpaw Japanese foe and turned to his extreme right in aiming at his target with a long right. Marcano responded to the prohibitive favorite with return punches immediately after receiving Gushiken's combos. The round was evenly fought by the game speedsters.

It was Gushiken's positiveness seen in the following four rounds, from the sixth to the ninth, that carried him to an important triumph. Left-hander Yoko effectively caught the upright challenger with sharp body shots, following with right hooks to the temple, and had Marcano retreating repeatedly. Gushiken, fast in fists and feet, showed his best in round seven, when he busily stepped in and back, peppered Marcano with a left-right-left combo to the face and nailed him against the ropes with a barrage of punches.

The eighth canto saw Marcano still game with counterpunching rights, but he began to bleed at the right eyebrow. The bad bleeding and the losing pace appeared to give Marcano a psychological handicap, although his 60-year-old mother Antonia Rodrigues was encouraging her son with loud shouts.

The Nipponese lefty was in command through round eleven, and the defending champ had a clear superiority in speed and power, although this reporter also appreciated Marcano's strong determination never to go down.

After Gushiken took the 12th round with sharper combos, Marcano suddenly tossed a lot of long rights to the face, most of which were averted by Gushiken's agile mobility. Gushiken responded with a barrage of left-right revenging blows to fight on even terms in rounds thirteen and fourteen.

Marcano's bleeding ceased, but his speed in both hands was obviously fading while southpaw Gushiken maintained his usual zip, threw more punches, and almost had the Venezuelan at bay in the last session.

The taller Marcano might have reduced too much and entered the ring at 106¾, while Gushiken was one pound heavier. The win brought Gushiken to an unblemished record of eleven wins (six by knockout) in as many outings.

Recently a biography of Gushiken, 'Kammuriwashi' (Fierce Eagle), which is his knickname and in the Okinawan local tongue, was published by a newspaper and is enjoying a good sale. The book accounted for Gushiken's smashing combinations and great stamina. Gushiken, though shortest of his classmates, loved marathon races and street fighting against bigger and older boys ever since his childhood in a fairly poor family which depended on his fisherman father , Yokei.

Yoko, a small and shy boy whose reflexes were very sharp, was forcibly persuaded to try his fists by the Uehara family. During Gushiken's amateur career, his name became famous among professional managers due to his excellent record, 62 wins (52 by KOs) against only two defeats, including a triumph in the finals of All Japan High School Championship in 1973.

Gushiken, who loved fighting above all, made his pro debut beating taller ex-Shinjin-o (Novice King 4-round tournament) winner Koichi Maki in four rounds on May 28, 1974.

Gushiken began to face JBC (Japan Boxing Commission) name opponents in 1975, beating Yasuo Joe in six frames on June 29, and demolishing Shoji Warabino in six rounds at October 19.

The turning point of Gushiken's fistic career occurred when the WBA and WBC decided to set up a new junior flyweight division

A smiling Ortega holds the trophy with which he was presented upon his successful title defense.

(up to 108 pounds).

In his first showing in January 1976, Gushiken scored one of his most impressive knockouts over highly rated Californian, Ceaser Gomez Kee, managed by Harry Kabakoff, in seven lopsided rounds. The victory placed Gushiken in the world ratings. Then, on October 10, 1976, Gushiken showed such a fine speedy performance in finishing Guzman in the seventh canto that the Tokyo Writers Club elected the Okinawa-born 108-pounder 'Fighter of the Year' in Japan at the end of last year.

In Okinawa, Panam's Rafael Ortega fully displayed his versatile left hand and elusive mobility, dropped Flipper (Haruji) Uehara twice and gained a lopsided decision in 15 heats to retain his WBA featherweight title before some 6,000 spectators at Onoyama Gymnasium, Okinawa. A close battle had been expected, as the 26-year-old champ had looked unimpressive in workout, while Flipper looked well conditioned and confident.

In an opening session, Ortega commenced to utilize his whiplash left hand, outpunched the shorter JBC(Japan Boxing Commission)

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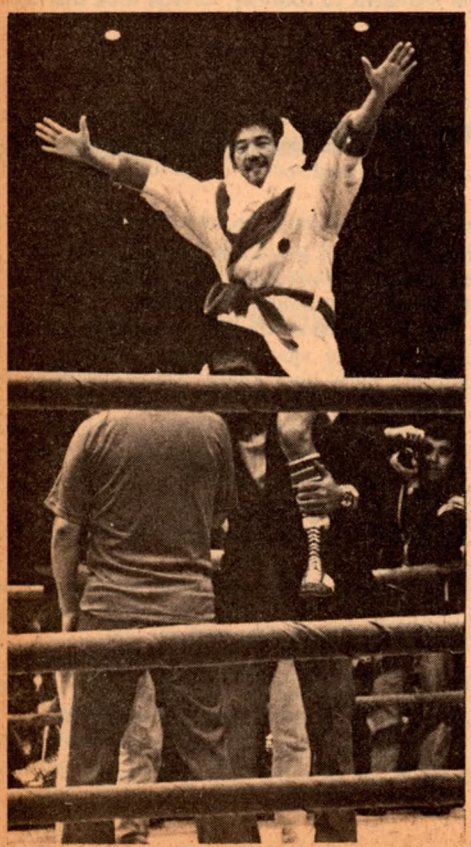

(Right) Venezuelan challenger Rigoberto Marcano staggers from a flurry delivered by WBA Jr. fly king Yoko Gushiken of Japan in round five. (Left) Gushiken, upon winning the 15 round Sapporo bout via split decision.

Palomino Short Circuits Dave Green's Title Dreams

By JESS HERNANDEZ

LONDON, England—Historical London Town is Carlos Palomino country. Maybe the 27-year-old WBC welterweight champ should fight here all the time if his sudden and explosive 11th round knockout triumph over game challenger David Green, 24, indicates anything. It was also here that Palomino, from Westminister, California, won the world's 147 pound crown from John Stracey just over 51 weeks ago.

Palomino's victory was hard earned as the game Briton made it a close fight for the duration. A murderous left hook to the chin of the challenger settled matters abruptly about halfway through the eleventh round.

"It was a little too close for comfort," said Carlos.

"I tried to stop him with a left hook all the time, but Green kept managing to dodge me. It was my toughest fight, but when I noticed that his eye had closed in the tenth round, I started to pressure him and it paid off," added Carlos.

It was Green's first loss in 25 fights and Palomino's 12th win by kayo. It was toe-to-toe slugging for several rounds with Green stinging the champ with repeated righthand jolts. Both fighters hit the scales at 147 pounds, with Green pressuring Palomino relentlessly.

The early rounds found Green at his punching best, peppering Palomino at close range with jarring righthands.

"Palomino was a very persistent opponent," related Dave. "He closed my left eye and I had a huge purple bruise on my cheek. I tried everything, but he just kept coming forward."

The tide of battle swung in favor of the 27-year-old champ after the middle rounds when Green appeared tired. "I felt good in the early rounds of the fight, but my vision began to blur in the ninth round and then disappeared completely, during the tenth. It seems that he got me before I got him," lamented Green.

Palomino's furious pace was intensified after the seventh round when Green caught the champ with a powerful right that staggered the 27-year-old.

In the eighth round, Carlos changed his at-

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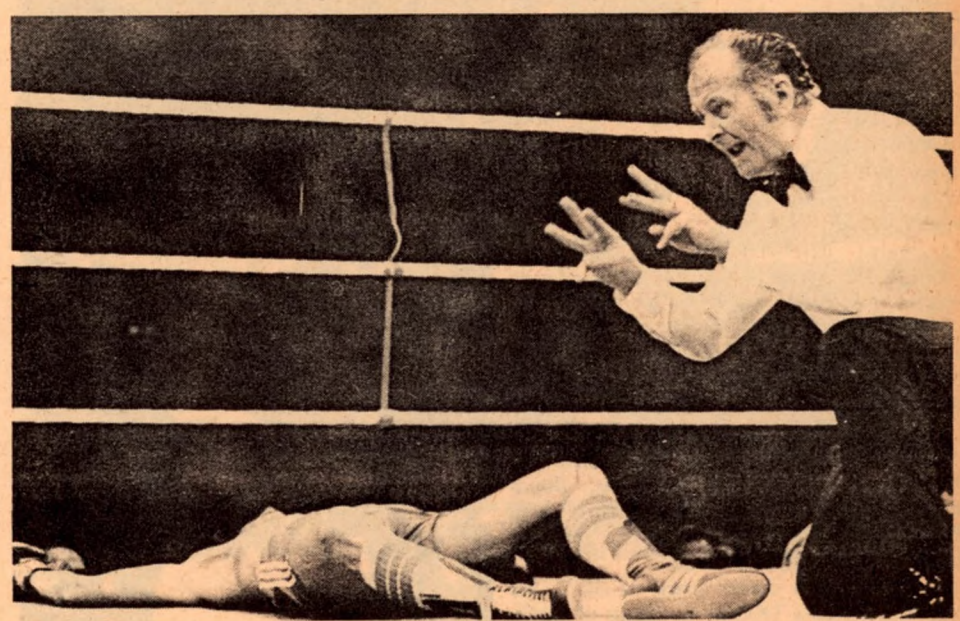
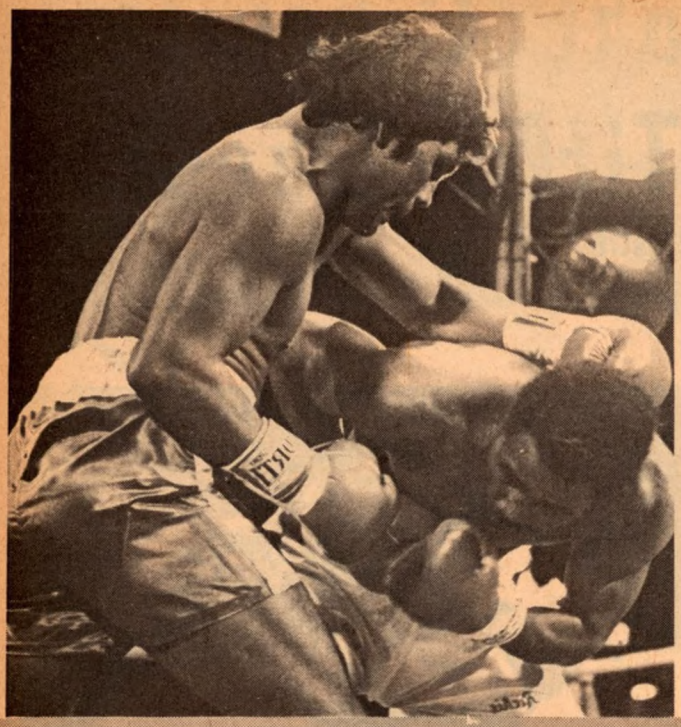
England's Dave Green folds from a left hook delivered by world welterweight champ Carlos Palomino of California. Green fought a game fight, pressing Palomino all the way, but just didn't have the extra something to take the fight.



Referee Jim Brimmell counts out Green in round 11 of the London title fight.



(Left) Richie Kates, Brighton, New Jersey, ducks a right thrown by WBA light heavyweight champ Victor Galindez, Argentina, during their title bout. The brawl was a replay of their first battle right down to the cut above Galindez' right eye (above).

GALINDEZ VS. KATES #2 IS GORY REPLAY

By JOHN ORT

ROME, Italy—Argentina's W.B.A. light heavyweight king, Victor Galindez, won a hard fought 15 round decision over Richie Kates of Brighton, N.J.

Victor was making the seventh defense of the title he won on December 7, 1974, in Buenos Aires, Argentina, via a 13th round knockout over American Len Hutchins. That fight was slated for the W.B.A. a few months earlier.

Galindez defended his crown against Pierre Fourie, twice, Jorge Ahumada, Harold Skog, Richie Kates and Kosie Smith.

He is undefeated in his last 33 bouts, winning 32 and drawing once. His last defeat was to Avenamar Peralta, on December 18, 1971, in Argentina.

For Richie Kates this marked his second try at Galindez and the W.B.A. title. On May 22, 1976, in Johannesburg, South Africa, Richie was in a close battle with Galindez when he ran into a punch and was counted out in the 15th round.

Kates has a career mark of 32-2, his only defeat was a TKO at the hands of Eddie Owens. Some of Kates's big wins: Len Hutchins, Pierre Fourie, Don Fullmer, Roger Russel, Jose Gonzalez and Eddie Owens.

Victor Galindez is still king after winning a nod over 15 brutal rounds in Coppenhagen.

The bout went like the first meeting, with Kates getting off first, carrying the bout to the champ. He scored with good left jabs and combos to head and body. Galindez held the heavy blows off most of the time with good left hooks to the body of Kates.

The sixth round was a big one for the American. He opened a cut over the right eye of Galindez. Victor stated after the bout, "He butted me but the referee didn't see it."

Kates was warned about hitting low by referee Waldeman Schmidt of Puerto Rico.

The next few rounds both men held their own, with Galindez having a little edge.

From the 11th round on the champion came on hard, hammering Richie to the head and body.

The 12th was the biggest for Galindez. He had Kates out a couple of times, but could not land the big blow.

Galindez won the bout by winning the last two rounds big over a tired Kates.

The scoring was as follows: the two judges scored it 151-144 and 148-140, while referee Schmidt had it 146-139, all for Galindez.

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Cuello Wins WBC's vacant 175 Crown

By JACK A. TREE

MONTE Carlo. The World Boxing Council took away John Conteh's world light heavyweight title when he refused to go through with his defense against Miguel Cuello on Saturday, May 21, in Monte Carlo.

Jose Sulaiman, the WBC president, said if Conteh were to come to an agreement with the promoter, Rodolfo Sabbatini, and fight Cuello, Sulaiman would call a vote to try and reinstate the Briton. If, on the other hand, Conteh did not meet Cuello, Sulaiman said he would ask his committee to ban Conteh from all international boxing.

Conteh, who wanted the fight to take place in Britain, is already at war with the British Boxing Board of Control whose ruling does not allow a world title fight in Britain to be televised live.

Consequently, the bout went to Rodolfo Sabbatini the Italian promoter, who made plans for it to take place at the millionaires, playground in Monte Carlo at a cost of some £200,000. Conteh's share of the purse would have been around £117,000.

Conteh has now resumed legal action in the high court with the hope of obtaining freedom to box where and when he chooses. Now everyone seems to have jumped in the act and is taking legal action. The American TV company who made the promotion possible by guaranteeing most of Conteh's purse, threatens court action against the Briton, and promoter Rodolfo Sabbatini is bringing a law suit against Conteh who went back on his contract.

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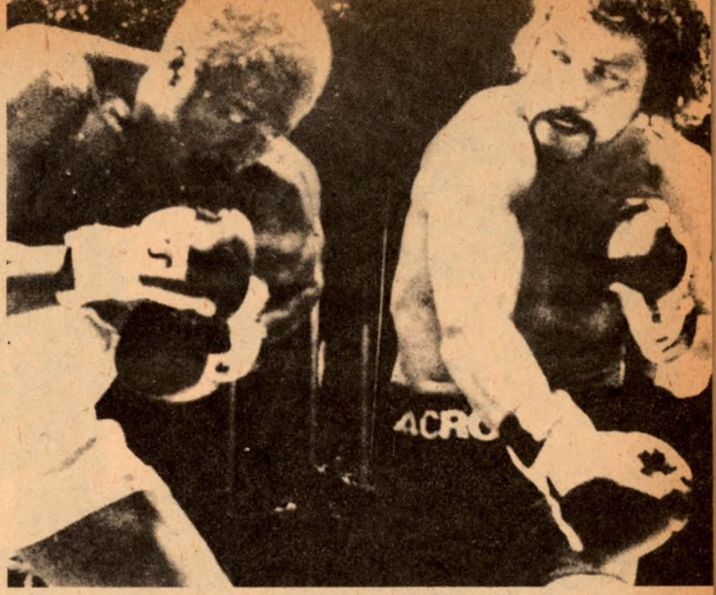
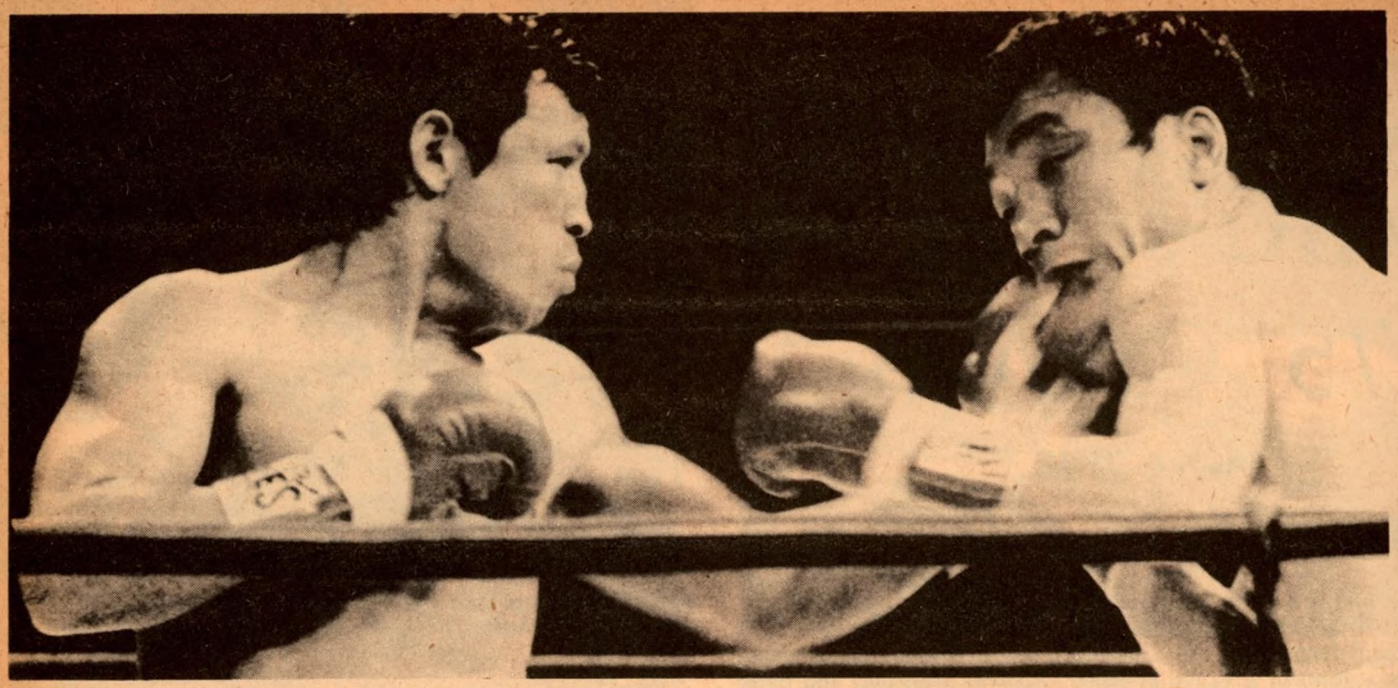


Sweat flies as Argentina's Miguel Cuello follows through on a right thrown at Los Angeles' Jesse Burnett during the light heavyweight contest.

(Above) Burnett buckles against the ropes and goes down for the 10-count in the ninth round of the Monte Carlo fight. (Left) Cuello is named WBC light heavyweight king. John Conteh was stripped of his title by the WBC when he failed to meet Cuello as ordered. Court action is pending.



World fly king Miguel Canto, Mexico, delivers a left to the chin of Kimio Furesawa, Japan, in round one of their Tokyo title fight. Canto took a unanimous decision.

CANTO WINS EIGHTH TITLE DEFENSE

By JOE Y. KOIZUMI

TOKYO, JAPAN — Skillful Mexican Miguel Canto, WBC and world flyweight champion, proved too strong for Japan's Kimio Furesawa, a tall puncher, whom Canto lopsidedly battered all the way. Canto gained close to a shutout decision over 15 speedy rounds and retained his crown for the eighth time. There were no knockdowns, but some 5,000 spectators were amazed to see how very superior the 29-year-old Canto was in ring craft to his Japanese adversary.

Both flyweights entered the ring at 112 pounds, with Furesawa having an advantage of four inches in height. They had the same reach at 5-feet 3 inches.

The official scoresheets satisfied everyone but Canto, who insisted he hadn't lost even one round of the lopsided affair. Harry Gibbs, veteran referee from Great Britain, tabbed the hot game 148-138 for the excellent master of self defense. Judges Jose Escalante of Mexico and Hiroyuki Texaki of Japan cast their votes 149-139 and 149-140 respectively for Canto.

During the first three cantos, Canto made a fine display with sharp left leads, with which the clever mitt hombre controlled the contest, as the Japanese tried to get in left hooks dominated the rounds.

Furesawa had suddenly appeared in the JBC's top ten after a surprising kayo over ex-champ Shoji Oguma, lefty fellow countryman from whom Canto had won the title via a hairline decision in January of 1975. Before facing Canto, 27-year-old Furesawa had demolished then rated Jose Luis Lopez, Mexico, in six heats at Korakuen Hall three months ago.

The upright Japanese, with a 24-6-5 record (eight by kayo) during an eight year career, was in command by a close margin in the fifth session, the only one that he took this night, by gamely chasing the faster champion with a wild rally. The Mexican speedster countered with stinging lefts.

How elusive Miguel Canto was! In rounds six and seven, Fureswa tossed twice as many blows at the short, moving target with most punches stopping only two inches before Canto's face. One strong left shot had the Mexican reeling to the ropes in the seventh round, but Canto calmly coped with Furesawa, whom the former effectively counterpunched almost at will to overcome the deficit and make the stanza even.

Canto became one of the most familiar champions to the Japanese people after his wresting the throne from Oguma. Canto then made successful defenses against Orient champ Jiro Takada (via an 11th round kayo in 1975) and national champ Susumu Hanagata (via a onesided 15 round decision in 1976) both held in Miguel's native town, Merida.

The crafty Mexican has been described by ref Gibbs admiringly as the best defensive counterpuncher pound for pound. He has made five other successful defenses, beating Betulio Gonzales (twice), Ignacio Espinel, Orland Javierto and Reyes Arnal before he arrived here in Japan for the second time.

The cautious retreating counterpuncher people saw when Canto outscored Oguma two years and five months ago was not apparent this night as the confident Mexican revealed his mastery of the Stand and Fight science with Benny Leonard-like stinging lefts.

By the ninth round, the left half of the game challenger Furesawa's face was swollen, and blood was streaming from a gash over the left eyebrow.

In the tenth and eleventh rounds, for all Furesawa's aggressive attack, Canto clearly kept the lead by keeping himself elusive and counterpunching with snappy, sharp combos.

The thirteenth session witnessed Canto almost toppling the local favorite with a series of left and right punches, all hitting the mark with precision, while Furesawa's gameness and durability managed to keep him from going down.

If Canto had more power, the gory affair would have finished earlier, but then ringsiders here would never have seen the fresh and vigorous attack of the 14th and 15th rounds when Canto showed fine, rhythmical punching at the face and the body of Furesawa.

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Wilfredo Gomez, Puerto Rico, connects with a left to the head of Korea's Yum Dong-Kyun in the course of the San Juan bout. The fight was sanctioned as a super-bantam title contest by the WBC.

Yum, left, is on his way to the mat for the fatal 10-count in round 12. Photos by Paquito Rivera.

GOMEZ, SURPRISED EARLY, FINISHES YUM

By MARIO RIVERA MARTINEZ

ROBERTO Clemente Stadium, San Juan, Puerto Rico—Heralded as the most complete fighter in the annals of Puerto Rican boxing history by most experts, Wilfredo Gomez left some doubt as to the creditability of this reputation in the first three rounds of fast and furious action fighting against W.B.C. super bantam title holder, Yum Don-Kyun of Korea. Yum was stopped in the 12th, but not disgraced.

Bubbling with confidence despite the partisan crowd, Yum proved that his 57 victories in 61 starts (one draw) were not flukes. With the bout less than a minute old, he surprised his much younger rival by flooring him with a sweeping left hook to the jaw. It startled Gomez and temporarily changed the strategy of the bout for both men. With Gomez' record of sixteen straight kayoes against his opponents' countless ten, twelve and fifteen round bouts, it figured to finalize with either Yum cleverly outboxing his rival hoping to take a fifteen round decision, while Gomez would be gunning for an early kayo.

But the Yum knockdown put the fight in a different perspective. The Korean titleholder took command in the initial round as well as the second and third. Gomez, on the other hand, played it cool while he regained his wits. He did more boxing than punching as Yum connected well with his overhand shots to the head. He shook Gomez again in the third but was unable to drop him. The panorama changed completely in the fourth.

Totally recuperated from his early scare, Gomez began to land with beautiful precision and the champion began to feel the force of his rival's heavier powered fists. It was all Gomez from this moment on and it was only a question of time before Yum would fold up under the incessant attack of his rival.

By the ninth round Yum had lost all his early round gestures of cockiness. By the tenth, his cornermen began to lose their enthusiasm and confidence. In the eleventh, the game Korean was battered from pillar to post. A steady barrage of jabs to the face, combined with left hooks to the body and right crosses to the head without return, signalled that the end was near.

In the twelfth, more of the same, and finally at 2:20 of the round, referee Dick Young signalled the bout was over when, with a final volley of blows, Gomez stretched Yum out on the canvas for the fatal ten count.

The tough Korean suffered his first knockout loss after more than seven years of pro boxing.

Rated as a top contender for the featherweight title by The Ring, Yum received

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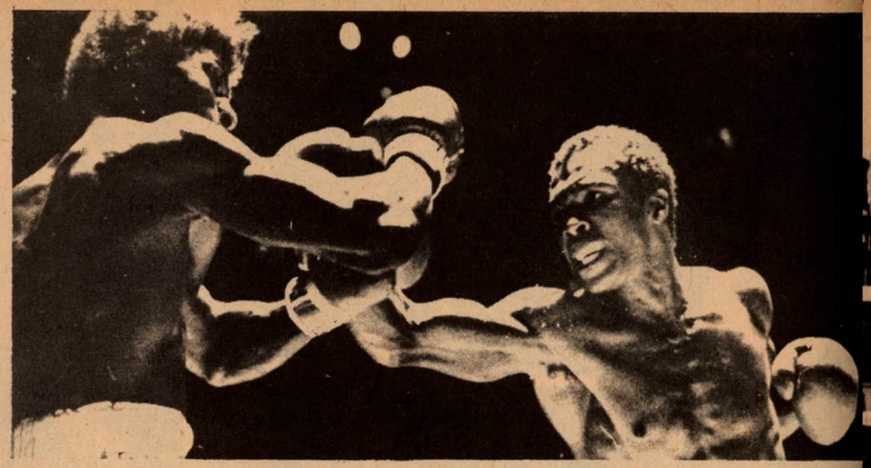
The time, 2:20 of round 12, and Yum Don-Kyun is counted out by referee Dick Young.

A Classy Sugar Ray Leonard Puts Out DeBarros In Three

By Joe Lee



Sugar Ray Leonard gets through the gloves of Vinnie DeBarros, Waterbury, in round three of their Hartford, Connecticut, welterweight bout. This was Leonard's third straight win since turning pro.

Sugar Ray Leonard, Olympic Gold Medalist, considered the most stylish boxer-puncher since the advent of former champion Ray Robinson, continued his winning ways in the professional ranks as he danced and punched to a three round knockout over Vinnie DeBarros in a scheduled six round welterweight fight in Hartford, Connecticut.

It was the third professional victory for Leonard since turning pro after the Olympics last summer. DeBarros, New England welterweight champion, was stunned with a series of lefts and combinations until the referee stopped the fight at 1:59 of the third round.

Managed by Angelo Dundee, who trains heavyweight champion Muhammad Ali, Leonard displayed the usual smooth boxing style and sharp hitting combinations which brought him through 43 consecutive ring triumphs.

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Michael Spinks, 167, did a clean, quick job on Joe Borden, New Glascow, Nova Scotia, taking out the Canadian at 2:20 of round two.

Big John Tate of Knoxville, Tennessee, also gave short shrift to his opponent, 228, Norm Kues, Toronto. Tate KO'd Kues in the first round of the Montreal bout.

SPINKS BROTHERS, TATE WIN

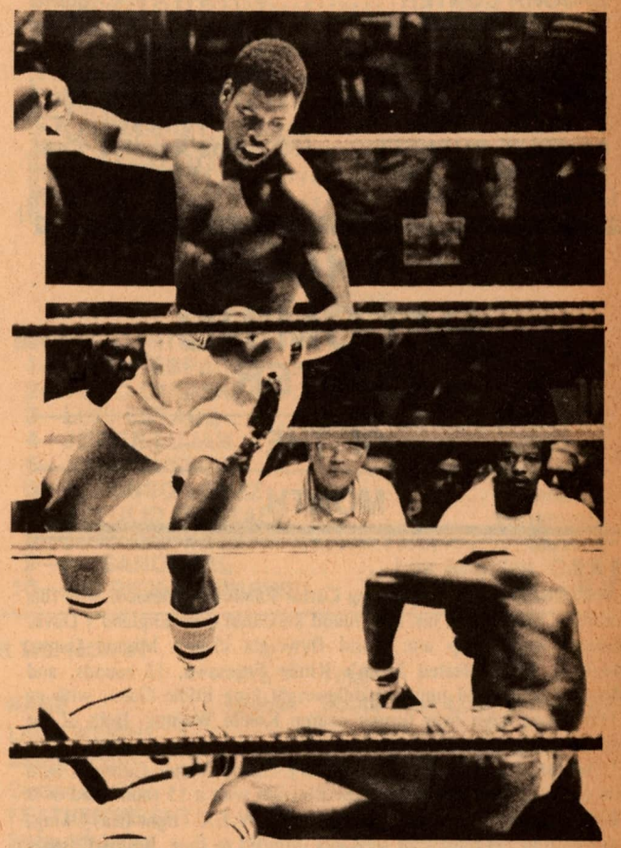
By FRANK ALLNUTT

MONTREAL—Promoter Gerry Grundman featured three of the 1976 Olympic Games Medal winners, Michael Spinks, his brother, Leon, and Big John Tate, on his card held at the Forum. Not only did the card have to compete with a 'live' National League ball game, but then the same evening two of the Canadian heavyweights who had signed and completed contracts to appear on the show failed to put in an appearance and last minute replacements had to be found.

Paul Nilson, the Toronto heavyweight, did not appear for his scheduled bout with Big John Tate, and George Jerome of Vancouver also was a 'no-show' for his bout with Leon Spinks.

Only 2,440 fans were in attendance for the show which was taped by Top Rank Inc., with Don Dunphy and two time former world heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson doing the commentary. The card consisted of seven bouts, and the curtain raiser of four rounds was the only bout to go the distance. The forty two round card was reduced to only twenty one rounds by early knockouts.

In the opening four rounder, Bobby Hughes, 140¾, a transplant billed as fighting out of Toronto was in with Roger Stafford, Philadelphia, 143¼. Hughes entered the ring wearing a huge Mexican sombrero which gave him the appearance of a reject from the bandit army of Pancho Villa. To complete his garb Hughes wore sequined black pants decorated with tassles, the same tassles adorned his socks and boots. However, the ludicrous garb of Hughes proved to be of no avail to him when it came down to boxing. From the initial bell it was Stafford with stinging left hand jabs that kept Hughes' head popping back to keep the rhythm with the bobbing tassles worn on the pants and stockings. For the entire four rounds Stafford stayed with his boxing and ran out an easy unanimous decision.



Leon Spinks, 201, floors Bruce Scott, Beaumont, Texas, in round two of the scheduled eight-rounder. Spinks, St. Louis, Missouri, finished off Scott in round three.

In six round bouts, Cleveland Denny, Montreal, 135½, took the first two rounds to warm up against Reggie McLean, New

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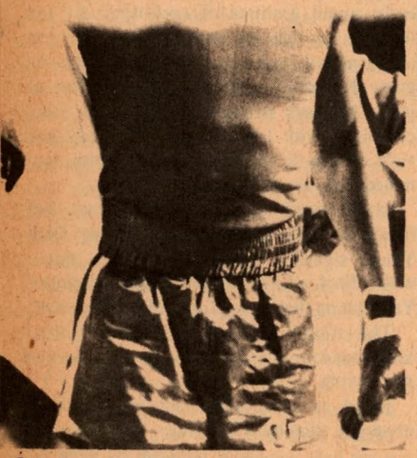

Cuba's two time heavyweight Gold Medalist Teofilo Stevenson is all smiles as he is declared winner over the U.S.'s Woody Clark in a tri-country amateur tournament.

TEOFILO STEVENSON KO'S CLARK IN VENEZUELAN TOURNAMENT

By ARTHUR REMBERT

Two time Olympic heavyweight champion Teofilo Stevenson of Cuba continued his domination of international amateur boxing while closing in on an unprecedented third straight Olympic Gold Medal with a three round demolition job of American heavyweight Woody Clark of Miami. The 215-pound Stevenson used the first two rounds to soften Clark up as he varied his attack between crunching body shots and overhand rights coming off his fine jab.

In the third and final round, Stevenson unleashed a volley of combinations that Clark, though game to the end, simply could not stand up to . The onslaught prompted the tournament doctor to make a brief visit to the ring when Clark failed to get up several minutes after he had been counted out.

This tri-country tournament, organized by host country Venezuela, consisted of Cuba, the U.S., and of course Venezuela. The tournament, which took place in the Venezuelan capitol of Caracas, was named after the "Battle of Carabobo." This battle, which took place more than 160 years ago, established Venezuela's independence from Spain.

American featherweight Johnny Bumphus of Tacoma, Washington, the same city that produced 1972 Olympic Gold Medal winner Ray Seales, gave the U.S. its only Gold Medal with a split decision thriller over Antonio Esparagoza of Venezuela. Host country Venezuela took the team championship by accounting for 24 medals: three Gold, five Silver, and sixteen Bronze. Cuba finished second with 10 medals overall: eight Gold, one Silver, and one Bronze. The American team took a very close third by capturing nine medals overall: one Gold, six Silver, and two Bronze.

Meanwhile, on the home front, 36-year-old former All-Navy champion Roderick Harris defeated Donald Spellman in an action packed 3 rounder to win the Virginia AAU open

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WORLD RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

MUHAMMAD ALI ..... Chicago, Ill.
1—JIMMY YOUNG ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
2—KEN NORTON ..... San Diego, Calif.
3—GEORGE FOREMAN ..... Marshall, Texas
4—LARRY HOLMES ..... Easton, Pa.
5—RON LYLE ..... Denver, Colo.
6—EARNIE SHAVERS ..... Warren, Ohio
7—DUANE BOBICK ..... Bowlus, Minn.
8—HOWARD SMITH ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
9—JOHNNY BOUDREAUX ..... Houston, Texas
10—STAN WARD ..... Sacramento, Calif.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1—VICTOR GALINDEZ* ..... Argentina
2—JOHN CONTEH ..... England
3—MIGUEL CUELLO** ..... Argentina
4—RICHIE KATES ..... Brighton, N.J.
5—BOBBY CASSIDY ..... Brentwood, L.I., N.Y.
6—VONZELL JOHNSON ..... Kalamazoo, Mich.
7—MIKE ROSSMAN ..... Turnesville, N.J.
8—JESSE BURNETT ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
9—ALVARO LOPEZ ..... Stockton, Calif.
10—LEN HUTCHINS ..... Detroit, Mich.

CARLOS PALOMINO
FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

WORLD welterweight king Carlos Palomino, Mexico, won this month's award with his 11th round knockout over England's David Green. Runners-up are: world flyweight champ Miguel Canto, Mexico, who defeated Japan's Kimio Furesawa, 15 rounds, and Nicaragua's world junior middleweight king Eddie Gazo, with an 11th round kayo over former champ Koichi Wajima. Both of the above contests held in Japan.

Argentina and W.B.A. light heavy champ Victor Galindez held on to his number one spot in the division with a 15 round nod over Brighton, N.J.'s, Richie Kates. Cuello, W.B.C. light heavy king, moved into the third spot as Kates dropped to four. Bobby Cassidy won over Christy Elliott and moved up to the fifth place from seven, with Burnett and Hutchins both losing in their last outings and dropping one spot each to eighth and tenth. Vonzell Johnson moves up from eight to six, with a win over Gary Summerhays. Alvaro Lopez' win over Bobby Lloyd moves him from tenth to ninth, with Rossman moving to seventh due to the dropping of Hutchins and Burnett and the moving up of Johnson and Cassidy.

The middleweight's number one man Mike Colbert remains in that spot with a win over Rudy Cruz. Rocky Mosley drops out of the top ten and is replaced by Brockton's Marvin Hagler, who beat Roy Jones. Hagler moves into the ninth, as inactive Casey Gacic falls to tenth.

Former W.B.C. junior middle king Elisah Obed, Bahamas, falls from his number three position to sixth after being defeated by Ayub Kalula. Also losing to Kalula was Spain's Jose Duran, who now falls to ninth from sixth. Kalula, Uganda, breaks into the top ten in the number five spot. Moving up a place each, due to Obed's defeat, are Castellini and Anderson. Former world welterweight king Billy Backus rounds out the ten, scoring a victory over Rafael Rodriguez. Dropped to make room for Kalula and Backus were Wajima, who lost to Gazo, and the inactive Campanino. They were ninth and tenth last month.

Randy Shields advances from the sixth spot to the fifth, on a win over Pancho Del Toro. Harold Weston's victory over Andy Price

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MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

CARLOS MONZON ..... Argentina
1—MIKE COLBERT ..... Portland, Ore.
2—RODRIGO VALDES ..... Colombia
3—DAVID LOVE ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
4—BENNIE BRISCOE ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
5—VITO ANTUOFERMO ..... Italy
6—RONNIE HARRIS ..... Akron, Ohio
7—ALAN MINTER ..... England
8—BOBBY WATTS ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
9—MARVIN HAGLER ..... Brockton, Mass.
10—CASEY GACIC ..... Cleveland, Ohio

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 154 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

EDDIE GAZO* ..... Nicaragua
1—ECKHARD DAGGE** ..... Germany
2—MAURICE HOPE ..... England
3—MIGUEL ANGEL CASTELLINI ..... Argentina
4—ALVIN ANDERSON ..... Baltimore, Md.
5—AYUB KALULA ..... Uganda
6—ELISHA OBED ..... Nassau, Bahamas
7—FRANK WISSENBACH ..... Germany
8—JOEL BONNETAZ ..... France
9—JOSE DURAN ..... Spain
10—BILLY BACKUS ..... Syracuse, N.Y.

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

CARLOS PALOMINO** ..... Mexico
1—PETE RANZANY ..... Sacramento, Calif.
2—JOSE CUEVAS* ..... Mexico
3—ARMANDO MUNIZ ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
4—CLYDE GRAY ..... Canada
5—RANDY SHIELDS ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
6—HAROLD WESTON ..... New York, N.Y.
7—FLOYD MAYWEATHER ..... Detroit, Mich.
8—JOHN STRACEY ..... England
9—JOHNNY GANT ..... Washington, D.C.
10—GUERRO CHAVEZ ..... Canada

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JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

WILFRED BENITEZ ..... Puerto Rico
1—SHENGSAK MUANGSURIN** ..... Thailand
2—ANTONIO CERVANTES ..... Colombia
3—MIGUEL MONTILLA ..... Dominican Rep.
4—MONROE BROOKS ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
5—DAVID GREEN ..... England
6—LAURIE AUSTIN ..... Australia
7—HECTOR THOMPSON ..... Australia
8—NANI MARRERO ..... Dominican Rep.
9—SAOUL MAMBY ..... New York, N.Y.
10—JOE KIMPUANI ..... Zaire

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

ROBERTO DURAN* ..... Panama
1—ESTEBAN DeJESUS** ..... Puerto Rico
2—EDWIN VIRUET ..... Puerto Rico
3—VILOMAR FERNANDEZ ..... Dominican Rep.
4—VICENTE SALDIVAR ..... Mexico
5—HECTOR MEDINA ..... Dominican Rep.
6—PERICO FERNANDEZ ..... Spain
7—JOSUE MARQUEZ ..... Puerto Rico
8—GIANCARLO USAI ..... Italy
9—ANTONIO GUINALDO ..... Spain
10—ANDREW GANIGAN ..... Hawaii

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

SAMUEL SERRANO* ..... Puerto Rico
1—ALFREDO ESCALERA** ..... Puerto Rico
2—WALTER SEELEY ..... Sayville, N.Y.
3—RAFAEL LIMON ..... Mexico
4—BEN VILLAFLOR ..... Philippines
5—APOLLO YOSHIO ..... Japan
6—BLAKENEY MATTHEWS ..... South Africa
7—EZQUIEL SANCHEZ ..... Dominican Rep.
8—ROY HERNANDEZ ..... Corpus Christi, Texas
9—SIGFREDO RODRIGUEZ ..... Mexico
10—BOBBY CHACON ..... Los Angeles, Calif.

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

ALEXIS ARGUELLO ..... Nicaragua
1—DANNY LOPEZ** ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
2—RUBEN CASTILLO ..... Bakersfield, Calif.
3—LIONEL HERNANDEZ ..... Venezuela
4—YUM-DONG KYUN ..... South Korea
5—PEDRO JIMINEZ ..... Spain
6—DAVID POISON KOTEY ..... Ghana
7—RAFAEL ORTEGA* ..... Panama
8—JOSE CERVANTES ..... Colombia
9—RODOLFO MARTINEZ ..... Mexico
10—RICHARD ROZELLE ..... Columbus, Ohio

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

ALFONSO ZAMORA* ..... Mexico
1—CARLOS ZARATE** ..... Mexico
2—WILFREDO GOMEZ ..... Puerto Rico
3—EUSEBIO PEDROZA ..... Panama
4—RAUL TIRADA ..... Mexico
5—SEAN O'GRADY ..... Oklahoma City, Okla.
6—FRANCO ZURLO ..... Italy
7—ROBERT RUVALDINO ..... Mexico
8—ALBERTO DAVILA ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
9—FRANK DUARTE ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
10—SULLY SHITTU ..... Ghana

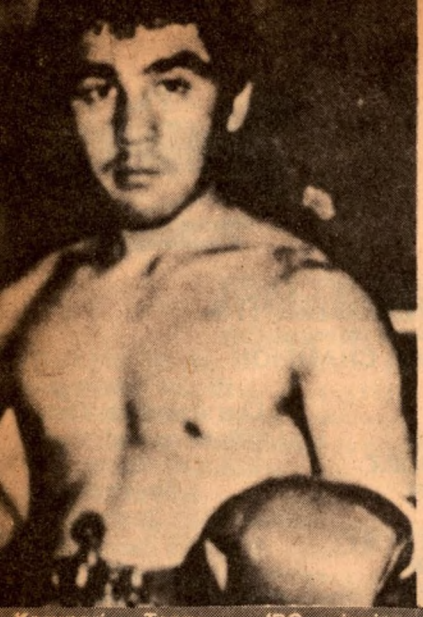
FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

MIGUEL CANTO** ..... Mexico
1—GUTTY ESPADAS* ..... Mexico
2—YOKO GUSHIKEN ..... Japan
3—LUIS ESTABE ..... Venezuela
4—JORGE LUJAN ..... Panama
5—JUAN GUSMAN ..... Dominican Rep.
6—ALFONSO LOPEZ ..... Panama
7—BETULIO GONZALEZ ..... Venezuela
8—JUAN ALVAREZ ..... Mexico
9—AL SANDOVAL ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
10—PATRICK MAMBRWE ..... Zambia

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

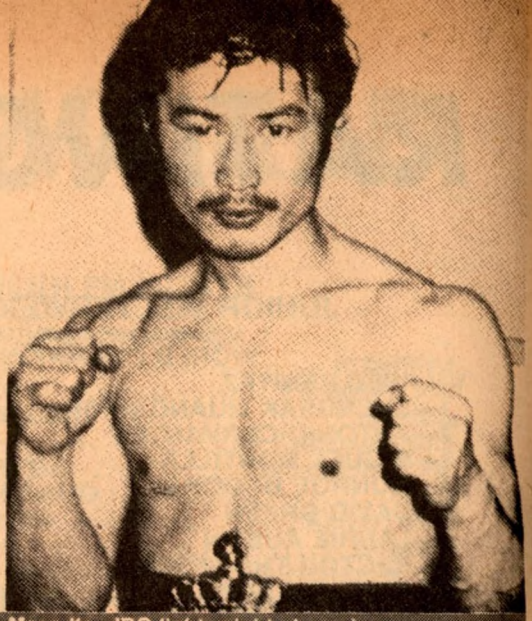
NAME	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHT						
Leon Spinks	2/77	4	4	0	0	4
St. Louis, Mo.						
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT						
Michael Spinks	4/77	3	3	0	0	2
St. Louis, Mo.						
MIDDLEWEIGHT						
Kenny Bristol	10/76	5	5	0	0	0
New York, N.Y.						
WELTERWEIGHT						
Ray Leonard	2/77	3	3	0	0	0
Baltimore, Md.						

NAME	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
LIGHTWEIGHT						
Aaron Pryor	11/76	5	5	0	0	4
Cincinnati, Ohio						
FEATHERWEIGHT						
Willie Whipple	10/76	5	5	0	0	3
Youngstown, Ohio						
BANTAMWEIGHT						
Mario Chave'	4/77	3	2	1	0	2
Mexico						
FLYWEIGHT						
Manuel Carrasco	12/75	11	10	1	0	1
Mexico						



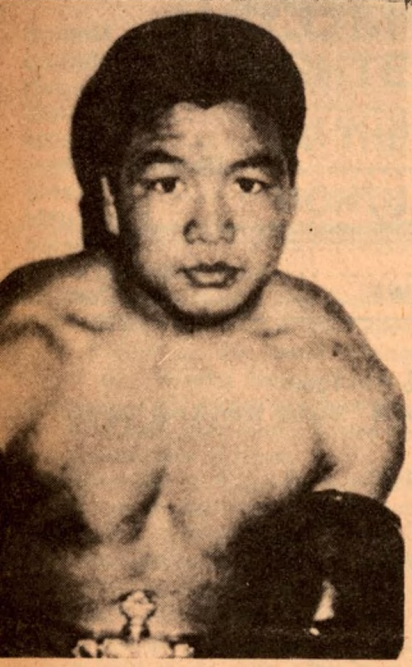
Kazunori Tenryu, JBC junior flyweight champion!

Tetsuo (Lion) Furuyama, JBC junior welterweight champion.



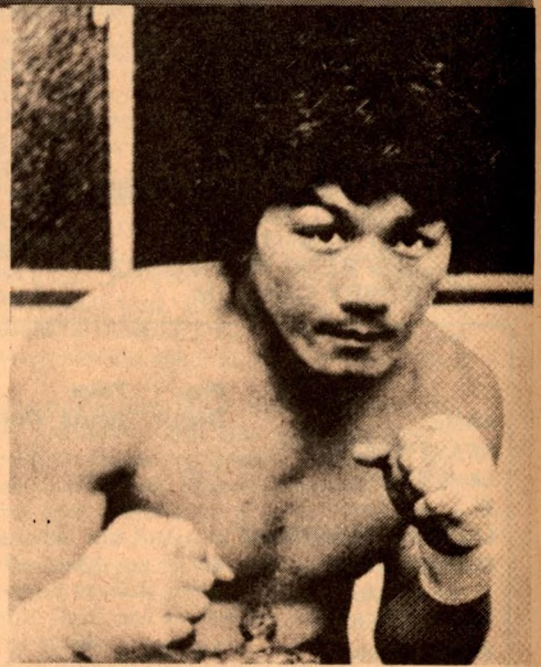
Masa Ito, JBC lightweight champion.

A HARD LOOK AT ORIENT TALENT



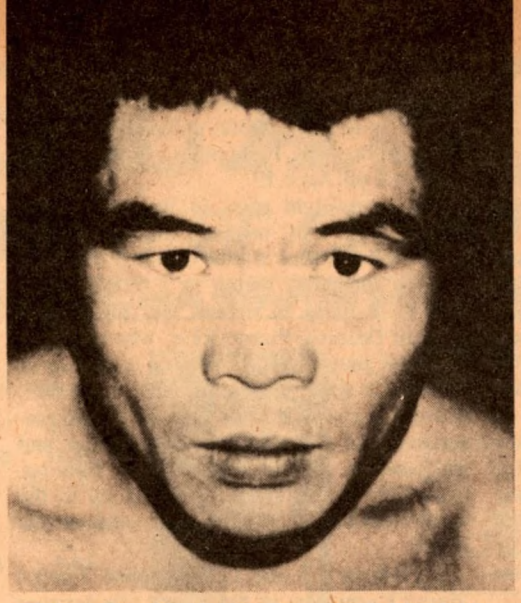
Kuniaki Shibata, ex-feather and junior lightweight champion.

Ryu Sorimachi, Orient welterweight champion.



Flipper (Haruji) Uehara, JBC featherweight champion.

Yoko Gushiken, WBA Junior flyweight champion.



Guts Suzuki Ishimatsu, ex-lightweight champion.

Chikara . Igarashi, JBC flyweight champion.

By JOE Y. KOIZUMI

Korea makes strides, but Japan still fistic leader.

THIS is a review of outstanding Oriental ringmen, class by class, not only concentrating on the world titlists, but also evaluating strong champion of the OBF, (Orient Boxing Federation) throughout their campaigns in the last year. In spite of Japan's greater numbers in international title cards, the OBF ratings have been dominated by fast rising and ambitious Korean punchers.

Despite the politically complex conditions maintained by president Park Chong-Hee, Korea has made rapid fistic progress and possessed seven OBF champions in eleven classes as of the mid-point of last year. Now five Korean titleholders top the OBF ratings, surpassing Japan's four and one each from the Philippines and Indonesia.

Let's begin with the heaviest division in the OBF, the middleweight class, for there have been no legitimate divisions over the 160-pound limit, although some managers have tried to cultivate a few young heavyweights in Nippon and Korea. Jae-Do Yuh, a 29-year-old sturdy puncher, held dual titles, WBA junior middleweight and Orient middleweight ones, the former of which was recaptured by ex-champ Koichi Wajima, Japan, via a surprising 15th round kayo in Tokyo last February 27.

Yuh, the favorite, returned to Seoul to concentrate on retaining the Orient title: The long fighting Korean, whose career stands at 41-2-1 (including 25 KO's) at the time of this writing, was reported to be out of shape after the much criticized defeat by Wajima. Yuh was astonishingly held to a 12-round draw by Filipino Alberto Cruz, neglected challenger, on September 25. Jae Do Yuh remains the No. 1 middleweight battler, however. His win via a decision from Japan's Yuichiro Watanabe in 12 frames in Taegu on December 12, assuring that position.

If there is a man likely to put an end to Yuh's six year reign in the near future, it is Masashi Kudo, 25-year-old Japanese champion, who has remained unbeaten in 14 outings and has scored eight knockouts. Kudo has had two fights so far this year. On January 30 he stopped Saburo Sadai in nine rounds, and on May 3 he took a ten round nod over Yichiro Watanoke. Both bouts took place in Tokyo. Yuh, an upright straight puncher will have to face the fast footed and solid punching opponent Kudo soon.

In the junior middleweight class, Koichi Wajimi of Nippon, 33-year-old vigorous competitor, has announced his retirement after being KO'd in the 11th round by WBA Jr. middle king Eddie Gazo. Wajima was attempting to regain the title for the third time.

Next to Wajima, in this class, Yim Jae-Keun of Korea was regarded as the unmatched Orient champion with 14 kayoes in 15 wins against one loss before he responded to the challenge of an underrated Japanese namesd Tsutomu Hagusa in Kyushu. Unexpectedly, Hagusa, 24 years old with a common 11-6 record, got off the canvas in the second round, fought back and decisively outpunched the flat footed Yim in 12 heats, winning the OBF title.

Since his victory over Yim, Hagusa has been to the post once. On May 14, Hagusa whipped Armando Boniquit in Tokyo. This title defense went the full 12 rounds.

In the welterweight class, Ryu Sorimachi, 29-year-old veteran, has retained his leading position in the Far East since 1970. Ryu, fast on his feet and a powerful puncher, showed unimpressive performances in all of his successful defenses over Pedro Adigu, Philippine older soldier, in 12 frames and Chong Yong-Gun, Korea, in 12 rounds, both held at Korakuen Hall, Tokyo. Sorimachi, a legitimate welterweight with a 53-9-4 record (with 32 knockouts) was neglected during Jose Napoles reign and was forced to unsuccesfully fight heavier Wajima and Yuh for the 154-pound class throne. So far this year, Sorimachi has two wins to his credit. February 28 saw Sorimachi whip Minoru Ono in Tokyo, and on April 25 he took a tough 10 round decision over Sumio Kai.

Ryu's perennial rival is Shoji Tsujimoto, the clever southpaw champion of the JBC (Japan Boxing Commission), who almost defeated Ryu to capture the Orient crown, but collapsed twice due to solid rights in the final twelfth round to draw with the champion in January 1974. Tsujimoto, 28, had a big opportunity to seize the international crown in his meeting with 19-year-old Jose Cuevas, Mexican nonstop puncher, in Kanazawa in October, but Shoji was badly demolished by Cuevas' incessant punches in the sixth round, though the former started well with sharper jabbing.

In Korea, national titlist Kim Kap-Soo dethroned Choi Man-Sung on December 12,

and he may be good opposition against Ryu for OBF laurels.

In the junior welterweight class, there is sensational Thai battler Shengsak Muangsurin, who gained the WBA crown in his third pro game. The lefthander went to Spain to face Muguel Velasques a year ago and was disqualified after knocking Velasques down, for he hit Miguel after he hit the deck. 23-year-old Muangsurin, an ex-kick boxer, calmly waited for a chance to display his power and turned the tables on Velasques with a second round kayo in Segovia on Ocotober 29. Shengsak has since faced and stopped American Jr. Welter Monroe Brooks, and Guts Ishimatsu. Muangsurin kayoed Brooks in the 15th round of a bout held in Thailand, and then traveled to Tokyo where he stopped Ishimatsu in 6. Both bouts were WBC Jr. welterweight title defenses.

Another strong veteran, Tetsuo (Lion) Furuyama, Japan came back after a 15-round lopsided decision loss to Muangsurin in Tokyo on January 25 to defend the JBC title three times. The muscular lefty flattened Harber Watanabe in five rounds on May 4, stopped Hiromi Nishida in four heats on August 14 and decisioned Yohi Arai in 10 frames on October 1. The Lion has two knockouts to his credit this year. January 24 saw him stop Hiroshi Hikichi in 8 heats, whereas it only took the hard hitting lefty 5 rounds to kayo Min Cho on April 10. Both affairs were promoted in Tokyo.

The Orient champion in this class is relatively unknown, for Wongso Suseno, Indonesia's only hero, did not go abroad after he captured the title by an upset decision over Lee Chang-Kil in 12 rounds in Jakarta on July 28, 1975. Suseno, 29 years old, scored his first successful defense by halting Dan de Guzman, Philippines, in 11 rounds in Jakarta on April 10.

The lightweight class in the Orient was headed by WBC world champion Guts (Suzuki) Ishimatsu at the opening of 1976. But the Japanese, owing to a WBC order, went to Panama to defend the title against Esteban DeJesus, Puerto Rico, who copped a 15-round shutout decision from Ishimatsu in the latter's sixth defense on May 8. Suzuki, active TV comedian and boss of an art production, had the only one showing last and was said to have lost interest in fighting. However, the sturdy Guts moved up to the junior welterweight class to continue his career.

On March 15, the OBF stripped Japan's Morito Kashiwaba of the Orient title because he failed to defend it for over a year. On April 25, national champions Oh Yong-Ho of Korea and Filipino Tony Jumao-As met in an eliminator in Seoul, where the former gained a unanimous verdict in 12 frames to become the new titlist.

24-year-old Oh has a fine record of 28 wins and 18 knockouts against three defeats against such fighters as Izawa, Iwakiri, Nakamura, and Suga. In his first defense Oh faced formidable Japanese speedster Kiyoshi Kazama, top JBC contender, and closely beat him by a 12-round split decision in Pusan. Oh gave Jumao-As another chance to battle for the title in Pusan in September, when the Korean pummeled Tony into submission in round four.

Yong-Ho, a short, bulldozer style puncher, may be too powerful for Masa Ito, Japan's titlist, who outpointed Tamio Negishi in 10 fast heats to win the national leadership on January 28 this year.

In the junior lgithweight division, there are plenty of strong guys in the Orient. Bazzsaw (Shinji) Yamabe, lefty lightweight living in Honolulu, came back to Japan to combat Alfredo Escalera of Puerto Rico for the WBC title on April 1. After a riot and controversy, the JBC promised to stage a rematch three months later. On July 1, also in Nara, Buzzsaw fought better than in the first performance, but Escalera proved too ringwise for the southpaw in winning a 15-round hairline nod to tab his fifth defense.

The man from whom Escalera wrested the WBC version was Kuniaki Shibata, former feather and junior lightweight titlist, who displayed his familiar rhythmical skills in two fights. Shibata, 29, decisioned Tamio Negishi in Akita on March 23, and outscored ex-national champ Susumu Okabe in Tokyo on October 12.

As for the WBA half of the 130-pound class title, Filipino leader Ben Villaflor appeared in Tokyo to defend his title and easily polished off Morito Kashiwaba by dropping him time and again into a 13th round kayo on January 12. Villaflor's next opponent was Puerto Rico's speedster Samuel Serrano, with whom Ben fought to a controversial draw in 15 frames in Honolulu on April 13. Due a WBA order, Villaflor again met Serrano, who perfectly outboxed the Filipino lefty in 15 heats to win the crown in San Juan on October 16.

The Orient champion is Apollo (Fumihara) Yoshio, Osaka footworker, who entered the

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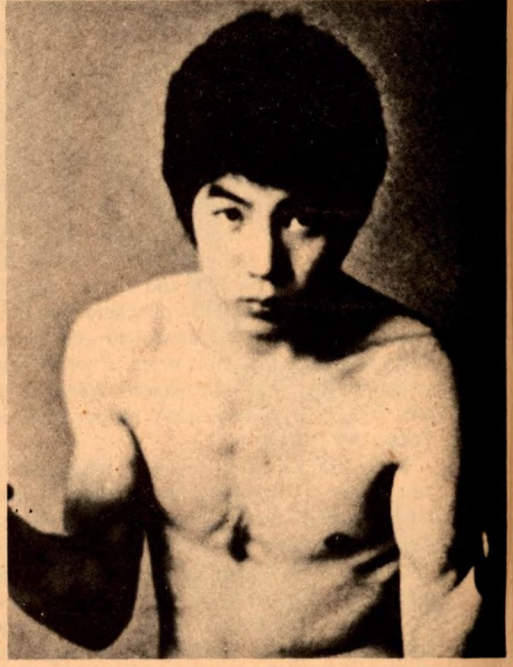
Koichi Wajima, ex-junior middleweight champion, recently retired.

Masashi Kudo, JBC middleweight champion.



Mashiro Yokai, JBC top lightweight contender.

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ORIENT TALENT

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ring few times last year. He retained the crown twice by 12-round decisions from Filipino veteran Rudy Alarcon in Kyushu on February 26 and from another Philippine fighter, Leo Viajedor, in Osaka on December 10.

Japan's champ Yasutsune Uehara was annoyed by Masa Ito's stinging lefts which caused Uehara to be dethroned in Hofu City on April 23, but regained the leadership in a 10-round lopsided rematch three months later in Tokyo.

The featherweight class saw Japanese fighters ambitiously battle Ghana's David Kotey for the WBC throne; however, they each sank midway at the hand of the taller African. Flipper (Haruju) Uehara was outpunched badly to retire at the end of the eleventh canto in Ghana's capital, Accra, on March 6, while Shig Fukuyama, Flipper's stablemate, was polished off in three rounds in Tokyo on July 16.

It was Korea's Hwan Bok-Soo who added the Orient featherweight title to his country's list of titles. Hwan, 22, decisioned Fel Clementez of the Philippines in 12 split rounds in Pusan on May 16. Overcoming his only setback, a ninth round kayo by Thai Venice Borkorsor in an Orient bantam title go in Bankok in February 1975, the Korean hope showed progress in outscoring Clementez, who had flattened former champ Zensuke Utagawa of Japan in round six at Korakuen Hall in March 1975. Before Hwan scored that important victory, he honed his technique by halting Shoji Okano, Japanese ex-champ, in eight rounds in Pusan on March 14.

In the WBC's "super bantamweight" class, the title was tossed from Rigoberto Riasco to Yum Dong-Kyun, back to Riasco, next to Royal Kobayashi and again to Yum.

Waruinge Nakayama, Kenyan ex-Olympic Medalist now living in Osaki as Japan's champ, went to Panama, only to be technically knocked out by Riasco at the end of the eighth round on April 3.

Riasco came to Korea to meet the Orient leader, Yum, who went 15 rounds with the newcomer on August 1. A decision was first given to Riasco, but hours later Rozadilla, imported referee, revised the verdict in Yum's favor for the rioting crowd around the ring. The WBC headquarters reversed the decision to give the crown back to Riasco, who next arrived in Japan to face Royal Kobayashi on October 9.

Kobayashi, kayo artist who had iced 17 victims in 20 wins, moved down to the newly established class, shedding many pounds to do so. Riasco proved no match for Royal's power punching, and the fight ended in round eight with a new champion.

According to an order of the WBC, the Japanese had to face Yum within 45 days. Owing to the persistence of Yum's corner to stage the card in Seoul, Royal decided to invade Korea on November 24, and Yum ran away from Kobayashi's solid lefts for the whole bout to win a majority decision. Kobayashi had been a champion for only a month and a half.

Yum Dong-Kyun, Orient titlist in the 122-pound class, relinquished the crown to the OBF after his seizure of the world title. Ric Quijano, Philippines, became the new champion when he stopped Thai Sakonpitek in the tenth round in Manila on January 28 this year. Quijano, with a good record of 45 wins against one loss (to Wilfredo Gomez) and one draw, will be a promising successor to Yum.

In this 122-pound class Japan has a bright hope named Yutaka Kasahara, ex-amateur Chuoh University graduate, who turned pro in 1975. He maintained a winning streak and gained the JBC title with an impressive second round kayo over Waruinge Nakayama in his tenth contest (January 30 this year).

In the bantamweight class, Soo-Hwan Hong of Korea dropped Venice Borkorsor, Thai lefty champion, and earned a 12-round nod to win back the Orient title in Pusan on May 29. Hong, ex-world ruler dethroned by Mexico's Alfonso Zamora in Los Angeles in 1975, faced the unbeaten champ in a rematch in Inchon on October 16. Though Hong fought hard, the difference of power punching was such that Hong was obliged to be saved from further punishment in the 12th round.

In Japan, Hisami (Go) Numata is fast footed, but his lack of power resulted in upset losses to Tsuyoshi Okabe in August 1975 and to Eijiro Murata on October 18. Murata, 19-year-old ex-amateur ringster who turned pro after his failure to go to the Montreal Olympic Games, steadily learns how to fight in the pro field, and is high on the list of Japanese hopefuls.

in the traditional flyweight class, two top Orientals were defeated by Panama's Alfonso Lopez. Unbeaten Lopez knocked out Erbito Salavarria in 14 hard fought rounds to capture the WBA title before 25,000 spectators in Manila on February 27. Then Lopez' first defense in Tokyo, lefty ex-champ Shoji Oguma was downed by a counterpunch in the second round and failed to catch the elusive Panamanian dancer, losing a 15-round decision on April 21.

The Orient champion is Japanese Jiro Takada, Yokohama, who came back strongly after a bad 11th round TKO by Miguel Canto in Merida, Mexico, in August 1975. Takada successfully defended the title with a split 12-round draw with Kim Hak-Yong on January 30 and a convincing eighth round kayo over Thai champ Dan Pisarchai on June 8.

One of the most sensational upsets was witnessed at Korakuen Hall on December 1, when Shoji Oguma was flattened for the count by Kimio Furezawa in the eighth round of his tune-up go. A solid left hook to the jaw was a haymaker.

In the lightest division, the junior flyweight class, there appeared a new star in Japan, Yoko Gushiken, who annexed the world championship in his ninth pro outing. Yoko, 22, displayed splendid combinations in demolishing Juan Guzman, Dominican Republic, with repeated knockdowns in the seventh round in Yamanashi Prefecture on October 10. In the year 1976, Gushiken had stopped Cesar Gomez Kee, Mexico, in the seventh round on January 23, polished off Toshiyuki Takii in round three of a semi-final for the Kotey vs. Fukuyama competition and won a 15-round nod over Rigoberto Marcano, Venezuela.

Gushiken's opposition may be Kazunori Tenryu, active national champion, 26, who stands only at 4 feet 9 inches, but can batter an opponent from all angles. Tenryu remained unbeaten last year, as he retained the JBC title by stopping Kenji Daruma in two rounds on April 16 and finishing Yukumitsu Kondo in six frames on August 24.

The Orient crown was moved from Thai favorite Montsiarm Mahachai to Chung Sang-Il, Korea, who scored an upset 12-round decision over the former in Seoul on June 5.

In reviewing the results, this reporter cannot but be amazed at the Korean fighters' steady strides. Most of foreign ringmen who came to Seoul were battered badly or knocked out. What is a source of the rapid progress of boxing in Korea? It may be due to the fact that fighting is the major professional sport there, so young people strive to emulate the national heroes. They strive to become a second Kim Ki-Soo, Soo-Hwan Hong, Jae-Do Yuh or Yum Dong-Kyun.

In Japan, on the other hand, excessive financial backing by TV networks indulges Japanese fighters with large purses for mediocre battles within the country without encouraging skills in ring generalship or the desire to take on tough international competition.

IRISH TOP TEN

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eral notches, I select Johnny Lynch, another New Yorker and a durable bantam champion, as No. 9. He recalls a West Side combination, Eddie Mead, being the managerial end. They also held the featherweight laurels briefly. Pete Herman "loaned" the title to them when Pete went to England to fight Jimmy Wilde and regained it after returning. It didn't detract from Lynch. He carried on skillfully, gamely, almost to the end.

Born in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, the No. 10 spot goes to John Terrence McGovern. The bulldog whirlwind Irish-American won the bantamweight title in 1899 by halting Pedlar Palmer in round one. Terrible Terry went on to annex the featherweight title with an eighth round KO over George Dixon in New York, on January 9, 1900.

A fast liver, Terry ultimately wasted away, but his fistic accomplishments cannot be forgotten.

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(Right) Former heavyweight king Ingemar Johnsson. (Below) Ex-heavyweight champ Floyd Patterson.

(Left) Chico Vejar, former middleweight contender and organizer of the charity gala. (Below) Ex-heavyweight king Jack Sharkey.

Boxing Champs Rally for Charity

By LAWRENCE F. McNAMEE

Joe Louis, left, ex-heavyweight champ and still a fan favorite.

Max Schmeling, one-time heavyweight champ.

"We few, we happy few, we band of brothers."

Henry the Fifth.

IF you saw one of them on the street, you would probably give only a second quizzical glance, for individually they are modest, mild-mannered, almost unimpressive; but collectively they constituted the greatest collection of fire-power ever assembled in Las Vegas since the Paiute Indians blew up the town back in the nineteenth century. The historic occasion was the first meeting of the heavyweight champions on May 20, 1977: Sharkey, Schmeling, Louis, Patterson, Johansson, Ellis, Frazier, and Ali. Previous commitments kept Walcott and Foreman from attending, but his loss was compensated for, quantitatively, by the extensive journeys of Schmeling and Johansson who had come all the way from Germany and Sweden for the occasion.

And what was the occasion? The brain-child of Chico Vejar, former middleweight contender, it was a testimonial style show, with tickets at ten to a hundred dollars and subsequent TV re-runs, at the Aladdin Theatre designed to raise money for the Cerebral Palsey Foundation in Westchester, New York. During the show, the same procedure was followed for each champion. Before he entered, filmed highlights of his career were shown on the screen, and then at the sound of the gong and the playing of the Gillette theme song, he climbed through the ropes, escorted by a Las Vegas celebrity, generally a girl. He was then awarded a ring, similar to the Super-Bowl Champions ring, designed and donated by Robert Andreoli, a golden glover of yesteryear. Each ring was worth $1500.00.

But the champions and the charitable foundation were not the only beneficiaries. From all over the United States and abroad, sports writers and free lancers flocked to the richest mother lode in the history of the cauliflower cult. These champions had been to the mountain. What would we learn from them? We begin with the senior member, Jack Sharkey.

A reporter from the twenties or thirties would do a double roll in his grave to learn that of all the champions Jack Sharkey has the best press relationship. 'Twas not always so, but now it is love and kisses, sweetness and light. When a reporter called Jack's attention to the fact that today (May 20, 1977) was the fiftieth anniversary of his fight with Maloney rather than point out that his victory set up the Sharkey-Dempsey fight (the only million-dollar non-title fight in history), with convincing modesty Sharkey said it was also the fiftieth anniversary of Lindberg's flight and that the bout was de-

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The Ring Questions And Answers From Around The World

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Q. Bob Fitzsimmons was known as a physical freak. What were his measurements?

Joe Gilison
Springfield, Ohio

A. Fitzsimmons, known as "Ruby Robert" and "Freckled Bob" was born in Helston, Cornwall, England on June 4, 1862, and died of pneumonia at Chicago, Illinois, on October 22, 1917. He was elected to the Boxing Hall of Fame in 1954. Fitzsimmons held the heavyweight, middleweight and lightheavyweight crowns. He weighted only 165 pounds and stood 5-11¾. His reach was 71¾ inches; chest 41; waist 32; biceps 12; Neck 15; wrist 7½; calf 13½; ankle 8¼; thigh 21; fist 12½; forearm 11½.

Q. Did Rocky Marciano ever spar with Muhammad Ali before or after their 'computer' fight?

A. Cuva
Maplewood, N.J.

A. Yes. They did spar for the computer film. Ali never commented as to Rocky's hitting power, but always regarded him as a great champion.

Q. How come Clyde Gray is ranked ahead of Armando Muniz in the rankings when I saw Armando knock him out on the coast? And did Muniz meet Carlos Palomino for the title?

R. Conroy
Astoria, N.Y.

A. In The Ring's latest world ratings, Armando Muniz is ranked third behind Carlos Palomino, and Clyde Gray is fourth. Palomino stopped Muniz in the 15th round in their meeting.

Q. Who were the last six opponents against Lou Ambers, including his championship fight. He fought as a lightweight from Herkimer, N.Y.

M. Bergomon
Salamanca, N.Y.

A. Here's the rundown on the Herkimer Hurricane.

1939: Aug. 22—Won lightweight title from Henry Armstrong; Nov. 16—Jimmy Vaughn, W10.

1940: Twice beat Wally Hally; W10 over Al Davis; W10 over Norment Quarles; KOd by Lew Jenkins, 3 rounds, (lost world lightweight title) May 10; KOd by Lew Jenkins seven rounds.

Ambers joined the U.S. Coast Guard in 1942.

Q. Which bout drew the most money, Muhammad Ali vs. George Foreman or the fight between Ali and Joe Frazier in their third meeting?

Russel X. Snipes
Reidsville, N.C.

A. Actual live gate receipts show the Ali-Joe Frazier bout in Manila totaled $1,600,000 while the Ali-Foreman receipts for their fight in Zaire totaled $1,200,000. However, the figures do not include the ancilliary rights for the contestants nor do they indicate government fees paid to procure the fight in respective countries. It brings the figures away up in overall returns for both fighters.

Q. Don't you think Jack Johnson was in his prime before he became world champion? What was his won-lost record before gaining the crown?

Daniel Goodwin
Bronx, N.Y.

A. Little Artha certainly was in his prime before winning the title. He won 42 fights and lost three. He won on a foul twice and lost on a foul once. He also fought in eight no decision bouts.

Q. Why did you leave out Rocky Marciano on the list of heavyweight champions undefeated while they were champions on a list published in a past Ring issue? He went through his entire pro career without defeat. Right?

William Geddes
Springfield, Ill.

A. You're so right. Can't explain the oversight. Marciano won the world heavyweight title on September 23, 1952, by a KO over Jersey Joe Walcott in 13 rounds at Philadelphia, Pa., then repeated in one round in Chicago in first title defense, and stopped Roland LaStarza in 11 in his second bout. In 1954, Marciano twice successfully defended his title against Ezzard Charles, winning in 15 rounds and stopping Charles in 8. In 1955 he stopped Don Cockell in nine and Archie Moore in nine. He was considered one of the hardest hitters in the game. He scored three knockouts in nine fights before his title win. Among his KO victims were Rex Layne, Fred Beshore, Joe Louis, Lee Savold and Harry Matthews. Marciano announced his retirement as undefeated world heavyweight champion on April 27, 1956. He was elected to Boxing Hall of Fame in 1959. He was killed in an airplane accident in Newton, Iowa August 31, 1969 the day before his 46th birthday.

Q. Could you please tell me the ages of Bob Foster and Pete Spanakos?

A. Frazier
New York, N.Y.

A Bob Foster was 35 years old last April 27th. Pete Spanakos, twin brother of Nick, is 38 years old. The Spanakos came from Brooklyn and were known as "the Fighting Twins."

Q. How do you rate Cleveland 'Big Cat' Williams in his prime as a puncher and boxer?

B. FALLON
Frederick, Md.

A. As a puncher, Williams was rated among the top 15 in his time. He was no great boxer. His biggest bid was a title bout against then Cassius Clay for the heavyweight championship at Houston, Texas. Clay knocked Williams out in the third round before a crowd of 35,407, on November 15, 1966.

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ALI'S KO RECORD SPEAKS FOR SELF

Considering the fact that Muhammad Ali has kayoed such men as Joe Frazier, Sonny Liston, George Foreman, Cleveland Williams and Oscar Bonavena over the years, I was shocked by the comment from Lester Bromberg in your June issue that Ali never could hit. I'm sure that would surprise Ali's knockout victims.

Ali's critics have been heard to say that Ali can't hit as hard as, say, Jack Dempsey. By the same token, Benny Leonard couldn't hit as hard as Roberto Duran, and Ray Robinson couldn't hit as hard as Stanley Ketchel. Are you going to tell me that Leonard and Robinson can't punch either?

Ali, like Leonard and Robinson, is a master boxer who fights with combination punches, not with single-shot bombs. His knockout record speaks for itself. The fact that he has slipped badly since his Manila fight with Frazier can't erase his accomplishments of the past seventeen years, and I trust the Ring will bring this truth to light.

Donn-Wayne Bridges
La Puente, Calif.

P.S.: Thank you for your article on Willie Ritchie, a beautiful piece of work.

FEARS FOR ALI'S FUTURE

It's always sad to see a legend die, but Muhammad Ali's fight against Alfredo Evangelista proves that the king is dead.

I only hope that Ali hangs up the gloves and calls it a career before he gets hurt and disgraces himself and boxing.

There have been only a few champions who quit the game before they embarrassed themselves. I hope Ali quits before this happens.

James M. O'Brien
Franklin Park, Ill.

SOME KIND WORDS. . .

In the forty years or more that I have read The Ring magazine and its many fine articles about boxers the world over, I can't see why anyone would throw mud in someone's eyes that has done nothing but good for boxing since Nat Fleischer founded it. God bless all of you.

A.C. (Al) Allen
Block Island, Ill.

O'GATTY VS. DELANEY—THE WAY IT WAS

In the June 1977 issue of The Ring, I noted an article on Jim O'Gatty vs. Jack Delaney. I often heard this bout discussed by columnists and fans over and over.

The bout was never properly recorded. The following is the actual description of the fight.

O'Gatty was down in the second round. Then Delaney was down in the third round. Then Delaney hit the referee below the belt in the fifth round. The ref was so badly hurt, he was unable to officiate the remainder of the bout. Somehow, the newspapers the following day printed the bout "No Contest." But the Rhode Island Boxing Commission ruled the bout officially "No Decision."

The referee for the bout was Jack Finnell, an outstanding local official.

O'Gatty was paid in full—one thousand dollars—for his end.

O'Fatty's seconds were Jimmy Twyford and song and dance man, Jim Murray.

Delaney's cornermen were Pete Reilly, Doc Casey adn Leo P. Flynn's brother, "Gip" Flynn.

Abe Hockheiser
Los Angeles, Calif.

LA LIFE TO SOFT FOR FIGHTERS?

Has anyone noticed the disastrous effect Los Angeles, California, has on United States fighters? What has happened to Randy Smith, Rudy Robles; and now, Jesse Burnet gets whipped.

If the fight game depends on conditioning, then L.A. is too easy a way of life. Everyone ALWAYS uses a car. Everyday life is tougher in a four-season climate and Southern California is a mono season.

I told a boxing coach in Hungary three years ago that the Latins would dominate boxing—now look: Alfonso Zamora, Mexico, (bantam champ) and Carlos Zarate; Alex Arguello (feather champ) and Danny Lopez; Carlos Monzan, Argentina (middleweight champ); Roberto Duran, Panama, (lightweight champ); Carlos Palomino, Mexico (welterweight champ) and Victor Galindez, Argentina (light heavyweight champ).

That Viet Nam war really gutted us.

Claude Gordon
El Segundo, Calif.

FLOYD PATTERSON BOOSTER

It seems that everybody's favorite pastime is to knock Floyd Patterson. I don't think this is fair.

Everybody forgets that Floyd knocked out Archie Moore in five. It took Floyd eight fewer fights than Joe Louis to win the heavyweight championship.

Floyd had a brilliant amateur career. He was the Golden Gloves light heavyweight champion; won the National AAU middleweight championship and won the Olympic middleweight title. His amateur record was forty victories and only four losses.

I realize that Floyd had a short career as a heavyweight champion. I know what Sonny Liston did to him. But Floyd kept fighting for another 10 years. Do you really think anyone else would continue fighting if they had been knocked out twice in the first round?

Floyd almost beat Jimmy Ellis, and he was supposed to be a champion. Floyd kept going and got to fight Muhannad Ali. Although Ali won the fight easily, Floyd didn't look bad until he was stopped in the 12th round.

I think Patterson was a good champion. If people can give credit to Jimmy Ellis for being a good fighter, why can't they give the same credit to Floyd Patterson?

S. Simonofsky
Bronx, N.Y.

OUR GAL SHIRLEY SCORES

As ardent fight fans, we wish to commend you on your fine magazine. We have been regular readers of Ring for several years.

We feel it was very wise and perceptive of you to hire that lady correspondent in Las Vegas, Shirley Norman. Her articles are always informative and well written. We liked, especially, her articles on Joe Louis, Norton, Bobick, and Shavers. She's able to dig so much private information out of people.

We have one friend who buys the magazine only to read her stuff.

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SUGAR RAY LEONARD

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Dundee, one of the most astute boxing men in the sport, said after the fight "Leonard is coming right along as we planned it. I'm hoping to move him on a fight-a-month schedule and eventually to a championship bout. He has a lot of natural ability both in boxing and punching. His speed is exceptional. He should go to the top in the welterweight division. But there's still time. I'm not rushing anything."

Dundee said he was not planning to change Leonard's boxing style. "Maybe add a few new wrinkles. But other than that, he has everything. Maybe within two years, Sugar Ray could be champion," Dundee predicted.

It will be remembered that after the 20-year-old Leonard from Palmer Park, Maryland, had destroyed his Cuban opponent, Andres Aidama, to win his Gold Medal, he had made plans to continue his education in business administration. However, he changed his course in life and decided on a professional career with the hope of becoming a professional world boxing champion.

"I have an obligation to my family," Leonard explained when he made his decision. "I feel I can put them in a better financial position."

Previous to his triumph over DeBarros, Leonard gained a six round decision over Willie (Fireball) Rodriquez and in his first encounter he decisioned Lou (The Bull) Vega.

With three down and many more to go, the stylish Leonard is confidently on his way to a new dream which he hopes to fulfill—a professional championship.

On the same card, Las Vegas middleweight Roy Jones, 158½, was stopped in the third round of a scheduled 10-rounder against Brockton's Marvin Hagler as Hagler, 159½, dropped Jones at the end of round two and continued to punish him until referee Duke Lawson stopped the fight with 50 seconds left to go in round three.

CANTO WINS

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The Japanese was almost blind his face was so puffed, but he endured the final attack.

Not only Mr. Gibbs, but also Shoichi Kojima, Furesawa's manager asked the bloody loser if he cared to retire at the end of the thirteenth round; however, the game Nipponese wished to continue the punishing battle. Kimio still possessed a power in his left hand, but none of his specialty lefts caught the agile target at all.

Victor Canto, as if he took the triumph for granted, confidently said, "I am truly satisfied with my performance tonight before so many Japanese fans. I am also happy to meet such a courageous opponent as Furesawa, who kept coming forward continually, even though I punched and punched him repeatedly.

"My next defense is scheduled to be against Martin Vargos of Chile, but if I retain the title, I will be willing to come here to defend it for the tenth time."

This reported cannot think of any worthy challengers here to pit against Canto, who intends to break the official record of nine successive defenses previously scored by Argentine Pascual Perez in the 1950's.

The victory means Miguel's 52nd win against three losses and four draws. Canto has not been defeated in the past five years.

In a supporting JBC (Japan Boxing Commission) title go, junior flyweight champion Kazunori Tenryu, 107¾, dropped Puma Kohya, 108, in the eighth round to earn a unanimous decision. It was the eighth defense for Tenryu, Furesawa's stablemate, who had failed to gain the world title in the 108-pound division on two occasions.

The fact that in these 25 days Japan has seen four world championship games proves Japan is a financially good market for big cards based upon TV Company support; however, the fact that three Nipponese challengers, Ishimatsu, Wajima, and Furesawa suffered severe setbacks says something about Japan's capability of choosing suitable opponents to face the stronger foreign champions.

GOMEZ, FINISHES YUM

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thunderous applause when he left the ring.

"I made a mistake by exchanging blows with this guy after I dropped him in the first. I had not planned it that way but was unduly confident of scoring an early knockout," said the disconsolate loser.

Over 10,000 fans saw the title match. Yum received a guarantee of $90,000 and Gomez, $25,000. Twenty year-old Gomez was booked to meet Royal Kobayashi in Tokyo in 60 days.

In other bouts, former welter champ Angel Espada returned to ring warfare with an easy two-round kayo over John Morgan.

Another ten rounder saw Panamanian Diego Alcala score a unanimous verdict over local junior lightweight Benjamin Ortiz. Diego was too sharp for Ortiz, who seemed to be overtrained (or undertrained?)

Another Panamanian, featherweight Hector Carrasquillo, scored a two-round kayo over New York Tony Stokes. Tony got in some solid socks over his undefeated rival but was not in the same class. This was Hector's ninth straight kayo victory without a defeat.

In the opening four, undefeated local welter Carlos Santos scored a kayo over Dominican Juan Polanco in 0:51 of the second.

KEN NORTON

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JIMMY YOUNG

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"I have always had confidence, but after I beat Lyle, I knew I was on my way," Young recalled. "I showed people what a boxer who is always thinking can do to a fighter who's just in there to take you out with one punch."

Early in his career Jimmy found out first hand what a power puncher can do when he doesn't give the thinking boxer time to think. Earnie Shavers knocked Young out in the first round of their bout early in Jimmy's career. In a rematch several years later, they fought to a ten round draw.

"There was no way that fight was a draw," Jimmy said, "You could ask anyone that was there that night and they will tell you I got robbed."

Young and his people kept making noise for a chance at Ali, and they finally got it in April of 1976. Ali came into the fight overweight and out of shape.

Young didn't fall for the Ali repertoire of tricks and had the champ confused throughout the fight. When the decision was announced, Young was shocked as were many of the ringside observers who had Young ahead on their scorecards.

"I was in a state of shock for awhile after the fight, but it wore off. I know I'm gonna get another shot at the title after I take care of Norton and, who knows, maybe the Norton fight will be a champion fight the way things are going," he says.

After the Ali fight, Young fought several tuneup fights and then decided to give Ron Lyle a rematch in San Francisco last November. The result was the same. Young gave the aging slugger a boxing lesson.

Young, a former sparring partner of Joe Frazier, knows how to get out of trouble if he has to, and against former heavyweight champion George Foreman, he had to do just that.

In the seventh round of their scheduled 12 rounder in San Juan, Puèrto Rico, Foreman caught Young with a right hand bomb that sent him reeling.

"At the time," he recalled, "I thought it was all over, I can remember telling myself, 'Well, its all over.' But then, I regained my composure and I said, 'No, its not all over, this big lug can't finish me off.' Instead of running away, I decided to go after him and, well, you know what happened."

What happened was that he sent the former champion to the deck and won a unanimous decision over the heavily favored Foreman while the crowd in Puerto Rico changed, "Yimmy Young, Yimmy Young."

"Jimmy showed he can hit pretty hard even though he moves around a lot," says Trainer Bob Brown. "He's a quick counter puncher, has an excellent left jab, a quick right hand and a pretty fair left hook. It really didn't surprise me that he dropped Foreman. He punches, a lot harder than most people give him credit for."

The big won over Foreman has his managing team of Jack Levin, a Philadelphia electronics wholesaler, and Ray Kelly, who is in the automobile leasing business, believing firmly their contender. "Jimmy's the number 1 contender," says Levin.

On discussing Norton as a possible opponent, Young pointed out a crucial weakness in Ken's armor.

"He's got thin skin. Can you imagine a guy with all those muscles having thin skin?" He questioned with a laugh.

"Seriously though, in the Bobick fight, I noticed Norton was cut on the bridge of his nose and Duane only got to him one time." He added.

"Every time I hit him I'm gonna pull the glove down and cut him. I'm also gonna hit Norton in all those muscles he's got and continue up to his chin, which isn't too muscular.

"I'll be peppering him with jabs and he'll be blinking. He won't know what to do and I'll be piling up points. I'm ready." Young reiterated.

"I'll be the heavyweight champion of the world by the end of the year" Jimmy said.

"Ali is deteriorating rapidly, he isn't even as good as when I fought him last year, and I know he doesn't want to go out on the seat of his pants," he continued.

His success against George Foreman has not changed Young or fooled him into thinking he's invincible.

"I know that what one guy does to another guy doesn't mean I'll do the same to him," he said. "There's no way I can fight Ken Norton the way I fought George Foreman."

Young predicted "Norton's gonna come out throwing these bombs of his all over the place. But he's in for a surprise, cause he's gonna find out its impossible to hit what you cannot find."

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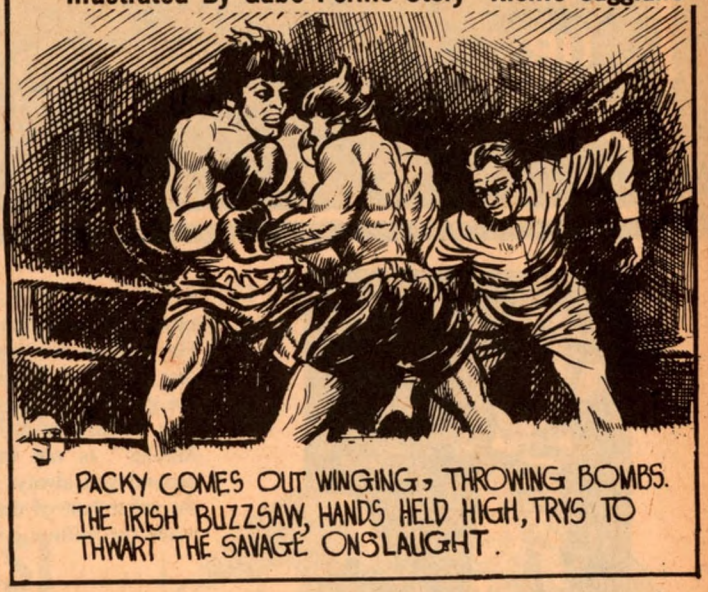

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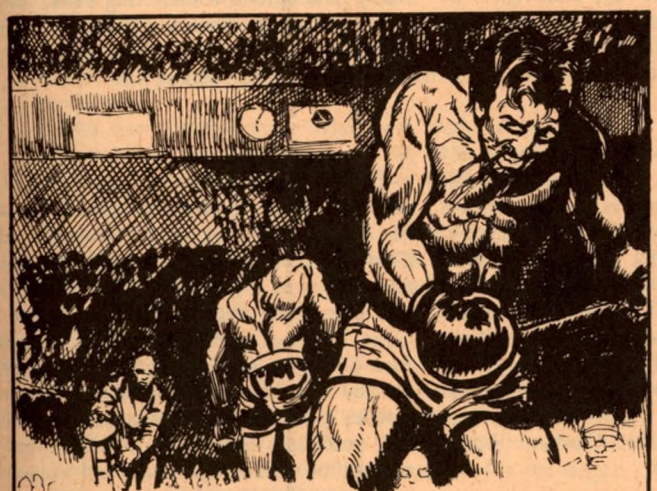

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(IS PACKYS CAREER OVER!)

NEXT MONTH...PACKY'S DECISION

UP AND DOWN

Old Broadway

By SAM TAUB

Ex-light heavy king Paul Berlenbach was honored recently for his 76th birthday.

THAT was quite a turnout for the party tendered in honor of the ex-light heavyweight king Paul Berlenbach, back on May 13 at Christopher's fine spot in Brooklyn. The affair was held by the ex-king's VBA Ring #21, belatedly celebrating Berlenbach's birthday, February 21. The grand old man of boxing had reached his happy 76th birthday. It was held in conjunction with installation of new officers of Berlenbach's Ring #21.

Everybody worthwhile was in attendance and they came from here and there. A good time was had. Two time bantam king, Lou Salica and many other notables, including Ring #212 members and others representing other VBA's were there. All-told, it was a grand party and no one enjoyed it more than our pal Paul, who was a star before becoming head of the 175 pound division. No one will dispute the popularity of the man who was severely handicapped but overcame all obstacles and showed what real courage was.

Besides members from other VBA rings, many members of Staten Island's famous Sibo organization were also present. Everything was great, and the former champ, who was being honored, was the happiest man of all. Ring #21 is one of the greatest.

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Fortunately, age doesn't bother all of those affiliated with the Queensberry sport. Despite the rugged years of actual combat, they still have an eye to carry on their daily chores. Berlenbach is one example. Two-time ex-bantam king, Lou Salica is another. He puts in his work stint Monday to Friday at his fish spot in Fulton Market. Of the great champions of yesteryear who made ring history in a big way, the "Manassa Mauler" is not too active, but still hops around and always will be popular; Tunney, the other half of the famous pair who helped made the million dollar gates, just turned 80.

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Sad news always seem to come along, and we were saddened at the report of the accident that took the life of Rodnay Bobick, brother of Duane, who met his death in a car accident. The freak accident came as a shock, as all these events do. Rodney and Duane were close, as they were with the rest of the Bobick family.

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Being a reporter, we have to mention the resignation of James A. Farley, Jr., as headman of the New York State Athletic Commission, who functioned along with former two-time heavyweight king Floyd Patterson, as the two top men in the commission. We were always close to the Farleys, from away back when big Jim Farley was the top man on the boxing totum pole. He, William Muldoon and George E. Brower were what we always believed to be the best boxing lawmen we ever had, with due respect to Blunt Bill Brown and others who also functioned in the same spot.

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Being honored is always something to remember. Jake LaMota, the Bronx Express, former middleweight king, is having a movie made of his life story. He had a good career, winning and then losing his title back to Sugar Ray Robinson and then whipping the new champion, Marcel Cerdan, who was returning to America for a return with LaMotta when he died as a result of a plane crash on the way back from France. The only stigma to Jake's career was his fight with Billy Fox, of Philadelphia, in the Garden, which created quite a sensation.

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At the Garden June fistic carnival ran into a few old friends from out of town. One was Bobby O'Dowd, who has been in boxing for many years, back to the days of the late bantam king Johnny Coulon. He was here with 18-year-old Sean O'Grady, who was making his Garden debut along with other newcomers on the fistic program by Teddy Brenner. O'Dowd hailed originally from Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

O'Dowd has quite a history in boxing. He boxed 187 times under the management of Pinkey George of Des Moines, who handled many stars in his day. O'Dowd fought as a bantam and featherweight and recalls the time he subbed for Battling Nelson, one time lightweight king and conqueror of the immortal Joe Gans, in an exhibition against Chicago's bantam king idol, Johnny Coulon.

O'Dowd has plenty of fistic stories to talk about. Memories of the days when he knew Babe McCoy, brother of one-time middleweight king Al. He hailed from a place called Black Hawk County, Iowa, where he was born. Memories of his friendship with Jack Began, Chicago promotor in the Marigold Gardens; Sammy Angott's manager, Charlie Jones; popular Jack Hurley, gret manager and also a promoter; western gladiators Davey Day, Everett Rightmire, Harold Matthews and Babe "Tiger Flowers," as well as one time Newark Promoter, Babe Culnan, of the famous Four Horsemen promotional combine who operated out of Newark, N.J. He had many pals among former ring stars, such as Sammy Angott, former lightweight champ, Billy Petrolle, Famous "Fargo Express" and Tony Zale, "The Man of Steel."

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Charles Lautermilch, of Bayonne, N.J., sent us a clipping of the passing of the wife of Billy Vidabeck, of Bayonne, Mrs. Charles T. Veydover, in a New York Hospital. Billy was a good fighter in his day and was one of the two chief sparring mates for Gene Tunney when the Marine dethroned Jack Dempsey in Philadelphia back in 1926. He and Harold Mays, also of Bayonne, were Tunney's two main sparmates. Billy was a ring performer from 1924 to 1928, when he entered the police department and worked his way up to Chief and later became Director of Public Safety.

We spent a lot of time at the training quarters run by Charley Doessereck, one time

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10—Stan Ward, Sacramento, Calif.
11—Leroy Jones, Denver, Colo.
12—Scott LeDoux, Minneapolis, Minn.
13—Mike Koronicki, Miami, Fla.
14—Joe Alexander, Newark, N.J.
15—Tom Prater, Indianapolis, Ind.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
*Title Vacant
1—Richie Kates, Brighton, NJ.
2—Bobby Cassidy, Brentwood, L.I., N.Y.
3—Vonzell Johnson, Kalamazoo, Mich.
4—Mike Rossman, Turnesville, N.J.
5—Jesse Burnett, Los Angeles, Calif.
6—Alvaro Lopez, Stockton, Calif.
7—Len Hutchins, Detroit, Mich.
8—Ray Elson, New York, N.Y.
9—Marvin Johnson, Indianapolis, Ind.
10—Lonnie Bennett, Los Angeles, Calif.
11—Eddie Gregory, New York, N.Y.
12—Tony Greene, Miami, Fla.
13—Willie Taylor, Brooklyn, N.Y.
14—Mario Rosa, Peterson, N.J.
15—Marvin Camel, Missoula, Mont.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
*Title Vacant
1—Mike Colbert, Porland, Ore.
2—Bennie Briscoe, Philadelphia, Pa.
4—Ronnie Harris, Akron, Ohio
5—Bobby Watts, Philadelphia, Pa.
6—Marvin Hagler, Brockton, Mass.
7—Casey Gacic, Cleveland, Ohio
8—Leo Saenz, Baltimore, Md.
9—Edgar Wallace, Phoenix, Ariz.
10—Tony Chiaverini, Kansas City, Mo.
11—Rocky Mosley Jr., Las Vegas, Nev.
12—Roy Dale, Cincinnati, Ohio
13—Tony Licata, New Orleans, La.
14—Ray Seales, Tacoma, Wash.
15—Jimmy Savage, Philadelphia, Pa.

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
*Title Vacant
1—Alvin Anderson, Baltimore, Md.
2—Billy Backus, Syracuse, N.Y.
3—Edgar Ross, Orlando, Fla.
4—Emile Griffith, New York, N.Y.
5—Ralph Palladin, Baltimore, Md.
6—Gene Wells, Mobile, Ala.
7—Tony Gardner, Memphis, Tenn.
8—Keith Averett, Akron, Ohio
9—Jackie Smith, Boston, Mass.
10—Kevin Morgan, Las Vegas, Nev.
11—Ray Hammond, New York, N.Y.
12—Ray Phillips, Houston, Texas
13—Gary Guiden, Muncie, Ind.
14—Ken Bristol, New York, N.Y.
15—Milton Owens, Orlando, Fla.

WELTERWEIGHTS
*Title Vacant
1—Pete Ranzany , Sacramento, Calif.
2—Armando Muniz, Los Angeles, Calif.
3—Randy Shields, Los Angeles, Calif.
4—Harold Weston, New York, N.Y.
5—Floyd Mayweather, Detroit, Mich.
6—Johnny Gant, Washington, D.C.
7—Angel Espada, Puerto Rico
8—Miguel Barreto, Puerto Rico
9—Mel Dennis, Houston, Texas
10—Bruce Curry, Los Angeles, Calif.
11—Leroy Green, Kansas City, Mo.
12—Juan Cantres, Puerto Rico
13—Harvey Arnold, Beaumont, Texas
14—Scott Clark, Orlando, Fla.
15—Ed Modicue, Fort Worth, Texas

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
*Title Vacant
1—Monroe Brooks, Los Angeles, Calif.
2—Saoul Mamby, New York, N.Y.
3—Rudy Hernandez, Los Angeles, Calif.
4—Jimmy Corkum, Brockton, Mass.
5—Tony Petronelli, Brockton, Mass.
6—Tim Walker, Washington, D.C.
7—Freddie Harris, Bossier, La.
8—Mike Everett, Philadelphia, Pa.
9—Adolph Viruet, Puerto Rico
10—Jimmy Heair, San Diego, Calif.
11—Larry Standon, Merrick, L.I., N.Y.
12—John Lira, Las Vegas, Nev.
13—John Copeland, Springfield, Mo.
14—John Turner, New York, N.Y.
15—Sugar Ray Leonard, Baltimore, Md.

LIGHTWEIGHTS
*Title Vacant
1—Esteban DeJesus, Puerto Rico
2—Edwin Viruet, Puerto Rico
3—Josue Marquez, Puerto Rico
4—Andrew Ganigan, Hawaii
5—Ruby Ortiz, Brooklyn, N.Y.
6—Johnny Sullivan, Kearny, N.J.
7—Tommy Rose, Sherborn, Mass.
8—Greg Coverson, Seattle, Wash.
9—Enrique Solis, Puerto Rico
10—Vinnie DeBarros, Hartford, Conn.
11—Pat Dolan, New York, N.Y.
12—Termite Watkins, Houston, Texas
13—Jerry Kornele, Houston, Texas
14—Felix Perez, New York, N.Y.
15—Jose Talamantez, San Jose, Calif.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
*Title Vacant
1—Alfredo Escalera, Puerto Rico
2—Walter Seeley, Sayville, L.I., N.Y.
3—Roy Hernandez, Corpus Christi, Texas
4—Bobby Chacon, Los Angeles, Calif.
5—Frank Baltazar, Los Angeles, Calif.
6—Hilbert Stevenson, Winston-Salem, N.C.
7—Francisco Villegas, Puerto Rico
8—Dom Monaco, Brooklyn, N.Y.
9—Manuel Lujan, Los Angeles, Calif.
10—Nacho Jiminez, Los Angeles, Calif.
11—Bill Pearish, Joplin, Mo.
12—Ronnie McGarvey, Baltimore, Md.
13—Willie Whipple, Youngstown, Ohio
14—Manuel Castellanos, Los Angeles, Cal.
15—Beto Nunez, Phoenix, Ariz.

*Champion

FEATHERWEIGHTS

*Title Vacant
1—Danny Lopez, Los Angeles, Calif.
2—Ruben Castillo, Bakersfield, Calif.
3—Richard Rozelle, Las Vegas, Nev.
4—James Martinez, Clovis, N.M.
5—Warren Matthews, New Orleans
6—Gaby Cantrera, San Antonio, Texas
7—Jerome Artis, Philadelphia, Pa.
8—Mike Ayala, San Antonio, Texas
9—David Vasquez, New York, N.Y.
10—Jimmy Farrell, Rockland, Mass.
11—William Berry, Trenton, N.J.
12—Santos Luis Rivera, Puerto Rico
13—Ben Ortiz, Puerto Rico
14—Ernesto Grefe, San Antonio, Texas
15—Willie Chapman, Detroit, Mich.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

*Title Vacant
1—Wilfred Gomez, Puerto Rico
2—Sean O'Grady, Oklahoma City, Okla.
3—Alberto Davila, Los Angeles, Calif.
4—Frank Duarte, Los Angeles, Calif.
5—Baby Kid Chocolate, Philadelphia, Pa.
6—Andres Hernandez, Puerto Rico
7—Artemio Jeronimo, Los Angeles, Calif.
8—Ignacio Osornio, Los Angeles, Calif.
9—Benny Rodriguez, Los Angeles, Calif.
10—Jeff Chandler, Philadelphia, Pa.
11—Jose Rosa, Puerto Rico
12—Andres Torres, Puerto Rico
13—Earl Large, Phoenix Ariz.
14—Oscar Muniz, Los Angeles, Calif.
15—Harrison Kiger, Galveston, Texas

FLYWEIGHTS

*Willie Jansen, Las Vegas, Nev.
1—Al Sandoval, Los Angeles, Calif.
2—Joey Olivio, Los Angeles, Calif.
3—Salvatore Vasquez, Los Angeles, Calif.
4—Alfonso Vasquez, Los Angeles, Calif.
5—Paz Mena, Los Angeles, Calif.
6—Mike Stuart, Los Angeles, Calif.
7—Alfonso Gonzalez, Los Angeles, Calif.
8—David Romahlo, Lowell, Mass.
9—Freddy Gonzalez, Los Angeles, Calif.
10—Tony Moreno, San Antonio, Texas

CHARITY RALLY

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layed for one minute to pray for the missing aviator. To add a second generalization, Sharkey is also the outstanding family man—although Frazier is not far behind.

For one born in 1905, Schmeling amazes you with his youthful appearance and gazelle-like agility. Although all of these men are intelligent, Max is outstanding in what psychologists call abstract intelligence. "Ali is best when he is in the middle of the ring," Max answered to a query. When pressed further to compare Ali with previous champions, Max elucidated with the meticulous precision of a scientist. "A champion is the best man of his day; that's why he is the champion: he's the best man of that day, but not of another day. Therefore, you cannot compare the champion of one period with the champion of another because there is no basis for comparison. You can speculate about it in Gasthauses or, what you say, barrooms; but it is only speculation." I thought I was back at the University of Heidelberg.

By the most amazing of paradoxes, the most lethal of leather-pushers is also the most lovable. There's only one word to describe Joe Louis: amiability. No wonder he gets more mail at Caesar's Palace than all the other residents put together. He is also quite witty. When asked who gave him his toughest fight, he answered "Billy Conn, the Pittsburgh Kid." But then he adds "He gave me my toughest fight in the ring, but my biggest fight was with the Internal Revenue. You all know that." One was continually amazed at the camaraderie this group exuded. You could almost hear them say, "We few, we happy few, we band of brothers." If Joe were always with this band of brothers, he would always be happy. He is love.

Floyd Patterson is the most articulate. If he ever gets down to his last million, he could substitute for Walter Cronkhite or David Frost. He is also the most polite. When Robert Goulet kicked over the microphone while climbing through the ropes, Floyd picked it up with the same urbanity as he formerly picked up an opponent's mouthpiece.

I thought that Jimmy Ellis was a professional musician until Joey Maxim told me differently. I had not known Ellis before. He certainly is the most dapper and could probably take up acting—the role of the musician.

Joe Frazier is probably the most outspoken. When queried by reporters about the next champion, he answered, "There are two uncrowned champions walking around now, Jimmy Young and Ken Norton. I think Norton won all three fights. You guys can write what you like, but I call them like I see them." When a Shakespeare professor who had watched Jerry Quarry fight suggested that Jerry might have been champion if he had faster hands, Frazier responded, "You may have seen him fight, Doc, but I fought him, and he had two of the fastest hands in the business. You better believe it." Joe preferred to talk about his singing career which was blossoming at the Hacienda than about Duane Bobick's performance, for he had felt Duane wasn't ready for Norton. When a foreign reporter asked what happened to Bobick that night, Frazier chuckled laconically, "He got hit!"

Besides his native Swedish, Ingo speaks fluent English, German, and French. He is the linguist of the group. When I asked him about his son, he answered, "He's not a boxer but a bartender. Once a fighter gets as far as heavyweight champion, he knows enough not to let his son take up boxing." He is also the most gracious of autographers; you name the language.

You cannot encapsulate Ali with one adjective. You need at least two: enigmatic and charismatic. Ali transcends definition and labels. But he is a charmer. Better writers that I have tried to explain the magic and magnetism of the great, that mystical something that reaches out and over the footlights to gather up an audience. Ali has it in abundance. All he did was to ask me my name as he prepared to go on stage, and I joined the Ali Club on a lifetime membership. But the climax came when Ali entered the stage for the finale.

Down the Strip, visitors from Canada were examining "The Strip-Dealers School, Approved for Veterans' Benefits." Across the street other visitors were inquiring about the Gambler's Breakfast at Honest John's Casino or the show at the Centerfold Revue—"Naked but nice." Next door a beautiful girl at the roulette wheel in the Money Tree Casino tells the awe-stricken Arkansas boy, "I'll lay you ten to five," but back at the Aladdin, a cerebral palsey victim, a little girl of eight, has come all the way from England for an autograph from Ali. "I will give you my autograph, but I shall also give you the ring." And so the ambidextrous Ali gave an autograph with his right and with his left gave the $1500.00 ring. This is a champion. When comes such another!

FRACKER DECISIONS FREEMAN

By AL REECE

A vocal crowd of over 1000 fans filed into the Michigan Center High School to watch five action filled bouts.

In the Main go, hometown favorite, Al Fracker won a unanimous one-sided affair over Oscar Freeman of Norfolk, Va.

Two PME fighters successfully battled their way to victory via the KO route. 130 pound Forrest Winchester from Columbus, Ohio stopped Chuck Spicer of Cleveland, Ohio in the 3rd round while former National AAU Champion, Milton "Pete" Seward blasted Larry Moore of Cincinnati with a series of body blows to end the scheduled 6 round welterweight match early in the second.

In an interesting Bonus Bout, aggressive Bob Plegge of Akron Ohio chased an elusive Jerry Strickland of Cleveland through 6 fast-paced heats, pinning Strickland against the ropes on several occasions, but never putting him down. Plegge was the unanimous victor.

In the 10 round semi-final bout, Floyd "Joy" Mayweather finally caught up with dancing, prancing Ron Pettigrew of Akron in the 7th round to put an end to the leggy Pettigrew.

HERNANDEZ OUTPOINTS MATHEBULA IN JOBURG

By Ed Clark

Johannesburg. — Freddy Harnandex of Mexico kept up a sustained body attack to outpoint S. African Peter Mathebula over 10 rounds at the Wembley Stadium. Mathebula holds the black title, there are no white fly-weights, and was being touted as a future world champion but he met in Hernandez a fighter with class. Those left jabs and savage hooks and a clubbing right hand did the damage but Mathebula never stopped trying and it was an exciting fight in bitterly cold weather and only 2,000 fans rolled up. The Mexican was warned 13 times in all, 9 for low blows—in the fight referee Stan Christodoulou had to take Hernandez to an interpreter to tell him clearly to keep his blows up. Hernandez was also warned four times for holding and Mathebula thought he deserved the decision.

Both fighters were marked, Hernandez had a gash on the head and Mathebula had two small cuts above the right eye which was closed by Hernandez's jabbing left hand. Blows were thrown non-stop for the full thirty minutes with Mathebula trying to get inside but Hernandez kept him at bay and piled up points. Hernandez was nearly put down in the final round which was a toe to toe slugging affair but he came back to have Mathebula hanging on as the fight ended.

Eddie Mileham won the vacant white lightweight title beating Peet Bothma on points over 12 rounds. The fight was unimpressive and not worthy of a title status. Bothma was dropped by a right hand punch in the last round. Peter Lock the referee had little to do and the fans little to enthuse about.

Harold Volbrecht, white welter title holder stepped down a division to score a convincing 8 rounds points win over Rollyi Xipu in the junior welterweight division. Volbrecht's harder punching decided the issue but in the third Xipu shook him with a hard right. Bushy Bester outscored Jerry Molefe, 4, welters; Hardy Mileham decisioned Gerrie Koekemoer, 4, junior welters; Thomas Sithebe and Derrick Phetoe drew over 4 rounds, junior lightweights.

▲Cape Town. — Freddie Rust became the S.African featherweight title holder (white version) by defeating Hansie van Rooyen on points over 12 rounds at the Hall of Industries at the Goodwood Showgrounds before 2,500 spectators.

▲Cape Town — Harold Volbrecht, S.A Welterweight champion beat the Rhodesian champion Leslie "Schoolboy" Tinago on points over 10 rounds. Volbrecht used his left jab to wear down his opponent and Tinago only revealed his left jab and an asset of speed that kept him out of trouble. Volbrecht carried the fight to his opponent and deserved the decision.

Stanley Maxbangula decisioned Bobby Neill, 4, light-heavyweights; "Babyboy" Kindile outscored Reggie Peters, 4, bantams; James Abrahams TKo'ed James Bond, 2, welters; Gordon Adams decisioned Gielie Truter, 4, lightweights; Cosnie Bekker TKO'ed Willie Phillips, 1, welters; Sipho Mange outpointed James "Sweetboy" Jacobs, 4, feathers.

▲Johannesburg — Kallie Knoetze, local heavyweight prospect Milner Park showgrounds. A left hook set the Welshman up for the kill and a flashing right dropped Meade for the full count.

Morris Mohloai retained his S. A welter title (Black version) by knocking out Thuso Mapela in the seventh. Mapela was subject to a constant body attack and up to the sixth Mohloai had built up a commanding lead. In the sixth Mohloai turned on the pressure and finished the fight with a left hook to the head following with another left hook and Mapela had no hope of beating the count.

Morgan Moledi easily outgunned Ray Eardley, 4, missleweights; Wally van der Haar and Henry Moleke drew over 4, junior lightweights; Jan Beneke KOed Joseph Mhlala, 4, welters; Victor Mpiyakhe decisioned Joseph Gumede, 8, junior lightweights.

▲Durban — Doug Lumley, 21, fighting his tenth pro. fight became the new white holder of the S.African middleweight title by scoring a 11th round TKO over defending champion Jan Kies. It was a vicious fight that had the crowd roaring at the West Ridge Park Tennis Stadium as Lumley with emphasis on speed and endeavouring to outbox his opponent and Kies the harder hitter getting in close with murderous blows. Lumley caught Kies with a hard blow causing a swelling under Kies's right eye in the second and in the third Kies was cut over the left eye but despite there handicaps Kies carried the fight to the younger man. Lumley however was quick to slip many blows and score points of his own and by the half way mark had forged ahead. A hard left from Lumley in the fifth had Kies on the canvas and although Lumley was boxing better Kies moved in in the eighth and Lumley was forced to give ground. Left and right hooks found their mark and Lumley was forced to weather the storm. In the ninth Kies in a half crouching style went after Lumley who was on the "Run" hoping to land a finishing blow. His opportunity came in the 10th. when a left hook to side of the face had Lumley in trouble but he danced away and saw the round out. in the 11th and last round Kies again found the mark with left hooks but got caught with a right hook that put him on the canvas. He was felled again with a crushing left and the referee Fred Smith stopped the fight.

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Maxwell Malinga won the black version of the S. A. middleweight title by stopping Victor Ntloko in the 12th. Two powerful rights to the jaw ended the one sided contest. Johnny Sham jumped for joy when he was adjudged the winner of the S.A. white junior middleweight title after 12 rounds against Gert Craemer. He was third time lucky, he failed twice in attempts to annex the welter title and lucky because the verdict he received against Craemer was very narrow.

Junior middleweight champion Gert Steyn had a close win over Daniel Sereme in 8 rounds. Steyn was booed all the way back to the dressing room by a large majority of the crowd but he had taken the majority of Sereme's blows on his gloves. Sereme the underdog surprised Steyn by taking Steyn's best shots and coming back and landing his own. **Salisbury, Rhodesia** — Rhodesian lightweight champion Tadios Fisher KO'ed S.African Les Baker in the third round at the National Sports Centre. A short sharp hook put paid to Baker's hopes and he was sent to the canvas for the count. Baker did use his straight left in the fight but Fisher made him miss and countered with left hooks.

▲New Brighton, Port Elizabeth — Anthony Morodi still has "it". The crowd cheered his appearance when he outpointed Bramley Whiteboy over 8 rounds in the junior lightweight division. Bobbing and weaving he threw dangerous hooks with the left and right hands and Whiteboy moving out of range threw left and right uppercuts. Morodi took many blows on his arms and shoulders and using his piston like lefts found the mark to the head and body.

Bassie Modise lost another 8 rounds bout to Leku Sandi in the featherweight division. Leku stormed Modise with left and right swings which Bassie ducked and countered with left jabs that snapped Leku's head back. Modise was unlucky to lost this one. Bashew Sibaco retained his Cape featherweight title by outscoring Guy Ratazayo over 10 rounds. Chris Olamini TKO'ed Cecil Baatjies in 5, bantams; Mike Mana outpointed Christopher Plaatjies, 6, Junior welters.

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RINGSIDE WITH "Sailor" Don Sauer

By DON SAUER

THE DUNDEE's are known to boxing worldwide—ANGELO trainer of MUHAMMAD ALI; brother CHRIS, top promoter at Miami Beach for 25 years; CHRIS's son, MIKE, handles the managerial reins of former jr. middleweight champion ELISHA OBED—but a new DUNDEE has cracked the fight beat—she might be the sharpest of the clan. . . Yes, I say she—I refer to SUZIE DUNDEE daughter of fight promoter, CHRIS, who runs the boxing office and the payoff at CHRIS's shows. SUZIE is a "sure-shot" to be another AILEEN EATON, top gal west coast promoter for years. She has been around the fight business since a mere baby. Boxing needs sharp promoters who know the business—welcome aboard SUZIE!! MAX MAREK, who defeated JOE LOUIS as an amateur, but never did amount to much as a pro, was found dead in his apartment in Chicago recently. MAX was 62 years old. . . Big benefit to raise funds for ex-heavyweight contender and crowdpleaser BOB SATTERFIELD was held in the Windy City the other night. SATTERFIELD has cancer, and friends are trying to get him the very best medicos available. BOB was never in a bad fight—always gave a good account of himself—and had a heart as big as a sixteen ounce glove, but his chin was suspect. This is the reason he never became a champion. . . Former good, tough heavyweight fighter of a few years back, JAY TURNER, the thumping Texan, is in the real estate business in Dallas and doing quite well for himself. . . .CHRIS CLARK, a native of Halifax, Nova Scotia, soured on boxing after the Olympics, when he was cut as the result of a butt by Hungarian JOSEPH NAGY—he lost with only 29 seconds left in the match. Since turning pro, under the tuteledge of DAVE SINGER with AL BACHMAN, veteral N.Y.C. fight manager of repute on as advisor, CLARK has been a consistent winner!! SUGAR RAY LEONARD received a whopping $40,000 for his TV bout with WILLIE (FIREBALL) RODRIGUES, but his performance didn't cause the likes of ROBERTO DURAN and WILFREDO BENITEZ to lose any sleep—although his payday might have for only his 2nd pro bout at that. A.B.C.-TV picked up the bulk of the tab for LEONARD. . . When you talk about what TV has done for boxing—why if JOE LOUIS had the television coverage of his second fight with BILLY CONN in June of 1946 that MUHAMMAD ALI had with ALFREDO EVAGELISTA, he would be a millionair today. The CONN-LOUIS match after World War II was shown on television in just four cities: New York, Schenectady, Philadelphia and Washington, D.C., with an estimated 100,000 viewers. Maybe 30 million witnessed the ALI-EVANGILSTA waltz! TOMMY BUTLER, 66 years old, in and out of hospitals for the past two years, died in Phoenix, Arizona. TOMMY was a well liked and "hep" boxing promoter for a good many years. . . JOE FRAZIER and EDDIE FUTCH are reportedly at odds over the latter's insistence on taking KEN NORTON for DUANE BOBICK, and FUTCH is talking about "retirement." EDDIE told this writer, "Watch and see, BOBICK will handle NORTON easily." So, once in a while a guy can be wrong. FUTCH still a great guy for boxing. . .Unbeaten BRUCE CURRY, who is boxing in California rings and look sharp, is a cousin of former California Jr. welterweight champ MONROE BROOKS. Olympic boxing promoter AILEEN EATON is happy again, her son, GENE LaBELL, the wrestling referee, was acquitted of murder. . . .The word on MUHAMMAD ALI is that he's closely watching the grosses of his film "The Greatest" and his future depends on how it does at the box office. If the results are "real good," he could sign for one more title fight, then call it quits, but if the film is a box office flop, ALI will have to meet one of the top ranked contenders for a grand finale. . . .Many of the west coast boxing aficionados agree with me that ALBERT "SUPERBLY" SANDOVAL will be the world champion before too much longer. I had touted SANDOVAL as a future king sometime back, and he's lived up to my expectations. . . .JIMMY DePIANO, who is the manger and dad of light heavyweight socker MIKE ROSSMAN (MIKE uses his mothers maiden name), informs this writer of the tremendous job ROSSMAN has done in learning the art. MIKE has improved with each match—could well be considered a "white hope," if there is such a thing anymore. MIKE executed to perfection against MIKE QUARRY, punching when he was told to—boxing when he had to—never off balance. He did a wonderful job of demolishing a tough, rugged QUARRY, very, very impressive in my opinion. . . .COLLEEN O'GRADY, daughter of fight promoter PAT and sister of top ranked bantamweight contender SEAN out of Oklahoma City, was admitted to dental school on the recommendations of several doctors and dentists in that city. She will attend school at Lamar University in Beaumont, Texas, and in two years will graduate as a dental hygienist. Good, smart gal is COLLEEN. . . .MIKE AYALA, the Texas bantamweight had his bubble burst at least momentarily when he was stopped by RODOLFO MARTINEZ at the Municipal Auditorium in San Antonio recently. AYALA just took his matrimonial vows, along with MARTINEZ' body shots. Maybe it was just too much for the previously outstanding performer. . . .When ANGELO DUNDEE attended the premiere in Los Angeles of "The Greatest," many folks wondered why he didn't play himself in the MUHAMMAD ALI life story. I realize ERNEST BORGNINE did a good job, but ANGELO certainly was capable of performing himself. He was elected to Philadelphia Boxing Hall of Fame. . . .Former ranking lightweight of the forties, PATSY BRANDINO, was honored recently in his native Toronto. PATSY is the owner of a restaurant "Ringside Cafe." What else??? He opened up in 1949 and in 1963 he added the billiard room—great spot to visit and chat with the former ring great!! RANDY SHIELDS is managed by his dad. SONNY—with a bit of luck here and there—could be challenging for a world title. . . .CARLOS ZARATE is the best bantamweight in the world. He proved this with the demolition job of top man, ALFONSO ZAMORA. A lot of boxing experts figure that RUBEN OLIVARES was the best ever, but you must rate ZARATE with RUBEN. He, like OLIVARES before him, is a banger—boy can he punch!! AL-

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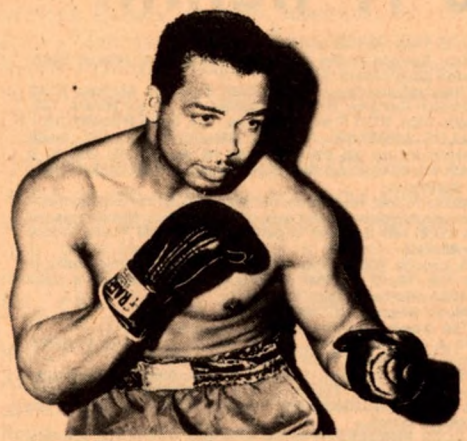

Bob Satterfield, seen in his fighting prime, has cancer, and recently found himself the recipient of a benefit to help with medical costs.

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By DON FRASER

RANZANY DOES IT AGAIN!

SACRAMENTO—The Capital City's Golden Boy, Pete Ranzany, 147½, jumped off to a fast start and held off Abel Cordova, 150, Mexico City, to capture a uninimous 10 round decision at Memorial Auditorium.

Earlier in the year, Ranzany had scored a knockout over Cordova. This time, the Mexican boxer was in better condition and made an interesting go of it.

As usual, promoter Babe Griffin had a packed house of 4000 fans, who tossed in $30,385.

Fidel Fraijo, 133, Los Angeles, out-sped Jorge Ramos, 133, Buenos Aires, in their 10-rounder.

Other results: Mario Chavez, 121½, Sacramento, won a KO over Tony Fernandez, 116½, Mexio, (1): Rick Cece, 163, Sacramento, decisioned Joe Wallace, 161, Los Angeles, (6).

▲**SAN DIEGO**—Former WBC junior lightweight champion Ricardo Arrendondo, 134, had little to offer in the way of opposition against Rogelio Castenada, 134½, Los Angeles, in the main event at the Coliseum.

Castenada won every round enroute to a 10 round decision before a slim turnout of 1100 fans.

▲**LOS ANGELES**—Alberto Davila, 117½, Pomona, erupted in the fifth round to knockout Frankie Duarte, 118, Venice, in a "local" bantamweight natural at the Olympic Auditorium.

The well satisfied crowd of 6000, who paid $45,845, saw Davila win ever round before finishing the job at 2:49 of the fifth.

Duarte had trouble making the contracted weight, but refused to use that as an excuse. "I just coun'd't get going," said the blond youngster.

Long in the shadow of his famous stablemate, Danny Lopez, Davila clearly established himself as a solid contender for the bantamweight title.

Although he had only scored eight knockouts in winning 22 out of 26 fights, Alberto displayed tremendous power in handling Duarte with ease. Early in the third round, he dropped Duarte with a short left hook to the jaw.

In the fifth, Davila twice put Duarte on the floor from a series of lefts and rights. After the second knockdown, referee Rudy Jordan halted the one sided match.

For WBC featherweight king Bobby Chacon, 133½, continued on a knockout spree. He belted out Miguel Estrada, 134, El Paso, at 1:42 of the second round.

After Estrada hit the deck for the third time, referee Marty Denkin gave Chacon the win.

Other results: Dave Bernal, 146, East Los Angeles, KO'd Francisco Ramirez, 143, Los Angeles, (3); Hector Rivera, 133, Puerto Rico, KO'd Francisco Flores, 134, San Fernando, (2).

▲**LOS ANGELES**—Armando (Mando) Muniz, 152, made amends for an old setback when he blasted his way to a fourth round knockout over Zovek Barajas, 150, at the Olympic Auditorium.

Muniz rocked his 25-year-old Mexico City foe with right-left-right combinations at the end of round three. Mando opened the fourth with a swarm of punches that forced Young to stop the contest.

A loser to WBC welter champion Carlos Palomino early in the year, Muniz now has his hopes on a rematch, or a crack at WBA chieftan, Pepino Cuevas.

Muniz weighed 152, Barajas, 150.

The crowd numbered 3600 and the gate was $14,134.

In a companion ten, Rafael Nunez, 136, Los Angeles, edged Fidel Fraijo, 133¾, in a fast paced skirmish.

Salvador Gonzales, 126¾, East Los Angeles, decisioned Tosh Goya, 126, Tokyo, in four. In another four, Herman Montes, 133½, Montebello, KO'ed Art Reyes, 136¾, Los Angeles, in two.

▲**LOS ANGELES**—Freddie Gonzalez, 116½, Los Angeles, packed too much power for Jose Del Rio, 117½, Mexico City, in their 10-rounder at the Olympic Auditorium.

A slim turnout of 1411 paid $3690.

Former Golden Gloves champion Ken Croom, 147, Southwest Los Angeles, stopped Dario Quintas, 149, Mexico, in three.

Other results: Jose Rodriguez, 131, Los Angeles, beat Jose Luis Lara, 127½, Montebello, (6); Jose Valencia, 127½, Mexico, defeated Joe Da Baker, 132, Los Angeles, (4).

▲**SAN DIEGO**—Danny Brewer, 175¾, Chicago, had a bit of too much of everything for Pete McIntyre, 174, San Diego, in their main event at the Coliseum.

Brewer, who had been held to a draw by McIntyre in a prior meeting, was awarded an eighth round knockout.

Other results: Mike Stuart, 116, Los Angeles, won over Raul Pacheco, Mexico, (10); Miguel Ruiz, 132½, San Diego, KO'ed Danny Ocampo, 127¼, Los Angeles, (6); Scipio Stubbs, 137, San Diego, decisioned Guillermo Gonzalez, 134½, Mexico, (4).

The gate was $2,368.

▲**SAN JOSE**—Unbeaten Erwin Williams, 163, Oakland, ko'ed veteran Jesus (Chucho) Garcia, 162, Brownsville, Tex., with a smashing left hook to the ribs at 2:02 of the fourth of a scheduled 10.

This was the 11th straight for Williams and his ninth knockout.

Other results: Greg McPherson, 160, San Jose, KO'ed Leroy Danford, 156, Perris, Cal., (2); King Cobra, 174, Los Angeles, KO'ed Junior Albers, 170, Eureka, (6); Bruce Henderson, 151, Riverside, Cal, decisioned Willie Hearne, 151, San Francisco, (6).

▲**SAN DIEGO**—Chile's top middleweight, Julio Gomez, 153, set too fast of a pace for rugged Mike Avans, 154, Tucson, in their 10 rounder at the Coliseum.

Other results: Norman Sweeney, 175, Santa Ana, KO'ed Budda Brooks, 179, Los Angeles, (4); David Wynne, 200, Los Angeles, KO'ed Paul Murray, 209, San Diego, (3); Greg Stephens, 150, San Diego, KO'ed Bert Lee, 148, Los Angeles, (2); Rick Mills, 205, Los Angeles, KO'ed Kelly Perkins, 211, San Diego, (3).

▲**SAN DIEGO**—Rogelio Castaneda, 134½, Los Angeles, caught Victor De La Cruz, 136½, Los Angeles, with enough straight right hands to register a fourth round knockout at the Coliseum.

A scheduled companion 10-rounder ended in the second round with Gerald Hayes, 125½, of Philadelphia stopping Ad Zapanta 127½, of the Philippines.

In a sixer, Greg Stepehns, 154, San Diego, stopped Larry Myers, 161, Los Angeles, in three.

▲**STOCKTON**—Bruce Curry, 145½, Dallas and Los Angeles, stormed to an eighth round knockout victory over Rudy Barro, 145½, Manila, P.I., at Civic Auditorium.

The gate was $4,384.

Other results: Tony Sanchez, 133, Stockton, disqualification over Don Juan Cornelius, 139, Oakland, (3); Morris White, 197½, Oakland, KO'ed Greg Zoro, 194½, Stockton, (1); Alfred Lorona, 148, Stockton, and Willie Hearne, 150, San Francisco, drew (6).

Sacramento welterweight Pete Ranzany won a ten round decision over Abel Cordova, Mexico City, in Sacramento.

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TEOFILO STEVENSON

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heavyweight title. Harris, who won the ELDER CRAFT award as the OUTSTANDING OPEN BOXER of the tournament, upset three time defending champion Bobby Jordan in the semi-finals en route to winning the state AAU title that had always managed to elude him in the past. Other award recipients were Scott Monday, who won the 165 round title and was named OUTSTANDING NOVICE FIGHTER', AND Joe Putowski, who received the award for BEST SPORTSMANSHIP even though he lost a heart breaker to James White in the open finals of the welterweight division. This exciting three day tournament was held at the USN AMPHIBIOUS BASE in Virginia Beach, and it drew better than 11,000 people.

NOVICE FINALS

112 lb. Frank Lindsey (RICHMOND) beat Jerome Johnson (RSC 1:49 1st round)
132 lb Abbir Abbri El Muhammad (RAD) outpointed Tim Faulk (TABA)
139 lb. Kennon Arrington (TABA) won over Jonathan Edwards (TABA)
147 lb. Carrol Sample (RAC) defeated Dave Lewis (ROANOKE)
156 lb. Jeff Grush (TIDEWATER NAVY) beat Tony Sanderback (NAVY)
165 lb. Scott Monday (RAC) outpointed Ray Doss (TABA)
178 lb. Atenso Scott (RAC) beat Robbie Brown (TABA) (TKO 1:59 2nd round)
HEAVIES Francis Rogers (TN) beat Bob Albert (CROSET) (RSC :51 3rd round)

RSC—REFEREE STOPS CONTEST

OPEN FINALS

119 lb Thomas Elston (TIDEWATER NAVY) beat Carlton Alston (RICHMOND AC)
132 lb. Van Tate (TIDEWATER NAVY) outpointed Charles Jackson (USMC)
139 lb. Wilbur Johnson (USMC outpointed Terry Preston (ROANOKE)
147 lb. James White (AXTON) won over Joe Putkowski (USMC)
156 lb. Will Hickes (RICHMOND AC) defeated Wayne Knox (WASHINGTON DC)
165 lb. John Jarvis (RICHMOND AC) beat John Parson (SULTLAND) (RSC 1:20 2nd round)
178 lb. Charles Smith (TN) beat John Sandridge (CHARLOTTESVILLE) (RSC 2:05 3rd round)
HEAVIES Roderick Harris (NAVY) beat Donald Spellman (RICHMOND ABA)

On the other side of the nation in Omaha Nebraska, the entire state of Cornhuskers got together with the good people in the greater part of western Iowa and sponsored a tournament called the Midlands AAU Championships. According to the Omaha Amateur Boxing Coaches Association, the tournament was a fistic success. Of special interst to the amateur boxing buffs in the Midwest was the fact that the Midlands AAU Championshiis marked e return of Chuck Anderson to tournament boxing. The hard hitting heavyweight from Dunlap Iowa holds several midwestern titles and was an odds on favorite to capture the tournamentt's heavyweight laurels. The problem was, however, that evidently no one explained this to his opponent, Lupe Guerra. Guerra promptly bounced out of his corner and pulled off the upset of the tournament as he gave Anderson the boxing lesson of his life while shutting him out three rounds to none. The winners of this tournament will compete in the national finals at Winston-Salem North Carolina later this year. The card featured 9 other action packed bouts:106 lb. Mike Sackett outpointed Frank Trejo
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119 lb. Tony Mdndiola whipped Karl Hoffman
125 lb. Ray Manafee beat Harold Nixon
132 lb. Don Terry won over Ben Belmont
139 lb. Bill Murphy stopped Charles Evans vía TKO in 2
156 lb. Lee McNichols outpointed Carlos Santistevan
165 lb. K.C. Smith whipped Joe Escamilia
178 lb. Walt Ware beat Steve Anderson
HEAVIES Lupe Guerra outpointed Chuck Anderson

OLD BROADWAY

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GAZO, ORTEGA AND GUSHIKEN

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champ effectively and decked him with a left uppercut to the chin for a compulsory eight count some ten seconds before the bell saved Uehara. Ortega, a vaunted footworker rather than a puncher, was taller by three inches at 5-feet 6-inches than Flipper.

Flipper tried to slow down the elusive champ's mobility by aiming at the breadbasket in round two, but the Panamanian avoided that attack by circling nimbly.

Moving to-and-fro and punching freely, Ortega toyed with Flipper, and just before the bell to end the fourth stanza, Ortega's specialty, a left uppercut to the button, exploded to have the challenger drop down on all fours. When Flipper stood up to beat the count, the blood was badly streaming from his nose, and he was quite wobbly. In the next two rounds, however. Uehara showed a fine recovery.

Midway through the fifth round, after Flipper sent a good right to the midsection, Ortega stopped throwing punches and retreated to the ropes in a stagger. The tide seemed to turn then as Flipper began to batter the champ against the ropes with an incessant body bombardment for the last minute. The round was even, for each scored solid punches at the opponent. Flipper's record stood 13-4-1 at the beginning of the contest. However, from the seventh on, Ortega was completely in command. The vigorous Panamanian made the best use of his left jab, hook and uppercut against the tiring Uehara. Ortega slowed in the tenth and eleventh rounds to save his stamina for later. The challenger tried, but could not catch the dandy whose style reminded the ringsiders of Ismael Lagnuna and Antonio Amaya. Neither fighter took these rounds.

Ortega lacked power, but his fine timing and quick eyes allowed him to outmaneuver the monotonous rusher at will, and he dominated the twelfth session. Although slower than in the brilliant early rounds, Ortega still retained his fine rhythm in punching, and cleverly adopted hit-and-run tactics to annoy the weary Uehara. The fast guy from Panama took the final rounds.

Venezuelan third man Jesus Gonzales saw the affair 71-65, Judges Medel Do Villalovos of Panama and Yusaku Yoshida of Japan had it 73-63 and 73-68 respectively, all in the defending champ's favor. Ortega entered the ring half a pound heavier than Flipper's 125.

In a supporting Tenner, Yasutsune Uehara, Flipper's elder brother, 129½, demolished Shoji Okano, Tokyo, 129¼, in the second round to retain the national junior lightweight throne.

In a preliminary eight, Takashi Azuma decisioned Katsuji Tomotoshi. They were bantamweights, both of whom weighed in at 117¾ pounds.

In Tokyo, Nicaragua's Eddie Gazo displayed his biggest advantage, a difference of age by seven years, to batter Japanese ex-three time champion Koichi Wajima and halt him at 45 seconds into the 11th round to keep the WBA junior middleweight crown.

Up to the ruthless stoppage, favorite Gazo was far ahead in points. Referee Jay Edson, dripping with sweat in breaking them apart frequently, tabbed the affair 49-42, while Nicaraguan Judge Adan Gaitan and Japanese Takeo Ugo saw the hit-and-grab game 50-39 and 49-43, respectively, all in Eddie's favor.

For all the rain that evening, a huge crowd gathered at the Hall near the Emperor's Palace to see what was expected to be Wajima's final showing. It was not expected that he would recapture the title.

About one inch taller, Wajima entered the ring at 154 pounds, the limit of the class and one pound and a half heavier than the 27-year-old lieutenant of Nicaragua.

From the opening round, Wajima appeared to lack his usual zip and speed in mobility. Though Gazo had been described as a tricky performer in his taking the WBA title from Miguel Angel Castellini via an upset decision in 15 heats at the capital Managua this March, Japanese Wajima appeared to confuse the champion with his low ducking and sudden punching from a puzzling crouching style.

During the second round, Wajima received a slight cut on the forehead due to an accidental butt. Then in round three, Gazo suffered a small gash over the left eyebrow, caused by the repeated head collisions in clinch after clinch.

Despite being immature in the ring science due to few experiences with name opponents for all of his 34-4-2 record (including 19 knockouts), Eddie Gazo was in command and dominated the fourth and fifth rounds.

As the contest progressed, the power in Wajima's punches decreased rapidly. In every round from the seventh to tenth rounds, Gazo continued piling up points steadily. Wajima appeared to exhaust his stamina in the eighth and ninth rounds, and was forced against the ropes to absorb Gazo's rather powerless, but numerous punches.

Just after the bell to end the tenth canto sounded one additional long right to the button by Gazo stretched Wajima on the canvas. Referee Edson allowed manager Misako to bring the flattened Japanese back to his corner, since the punch was released just at the bell and hit the mark after it. Misako should have protested the illegal punch, but the manager forget everything but to awaken the groggy Koichi.

No sooner had the eleventh round commenced than Gazo sent a wicked combination, a sharp right uppercut followed by a left hook, dropping Wajima to the deck. Wajima, bleeding from the nose, staggeringly stood up and tried to respond to Gazo. Suddenly JBC (Japan Boxing Commission) physician Dr. Yoshida strongly advised the third man to halt the game, but Edson, with dignity, told him that it should be the ref's decision whether to have them continue to fight or not. Then, manager Misako threw in a towel to save the exhausted Wajima from further punishment.

Koichi Wajima's career was over at that point.

After warmly holding victorious Gazo in the ring, Wajima returned to the dressing room, where he breathlessly said, "I did my best. I have nothing to regret about my fight this night."

In a supporting ten, Futaro Tanaka technically kayoed Satoru Uehara when, due to a bad gash near the eye of Uehara, the bout was stopped at 41 seconds of the eighth round. Both are rated junior featherweight fighters by JBC, and both scaled in at 122 pounds.

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RINGSIDE

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FONSO ZAMORA was unfortunate to come along the same time as ZARATE—shades of BILLY GRAHAM peakiing same time as KID GAVILAN. It was also always said in west coast boxing circles that FAMOSO GOMEZ would have been an all-time great except he was unfortunate enough to have been in OLIVARES' time. So it goes. . . .IBAR ARRINGTON, ex-sailor and heavyweight champ of the Northwest, out of Seattle, is working at the Fifth Street Gym in Miami Beach, Florida, where ANGELO DUNDEE is removing the rough edges. . . .DOM DeMARZO, the Boston battler who had an outstanding amateur career, now a pro and unbeaten, was schooled by knowledgeable LOU GROSS at Miami Beach before entering the "punch for pay" ranks in Boston. . . .The top boxing promoter in Holland, HENK RUHLING, made a stop-over at Miami Beach and was entertained by promoter CHRIS DUNDEE. RUHLING also handles the affairs of Jr. middleweight champion, ECKARD DAGGE. . . .Sahara Tahoe is going with boxing shows once a month, on Sundays. . . .DANNY LOPEZ, featherweight champ is finally feeling much better after having major problems with his hands—Reminds me of PAUL PENDER on his way up the middleweight ladder, to finally annex the world title. PENDER had real problems with his hands—seems he had a lack of calcium—had shots, and finally overcame it to become a world champion. PENDER today is assistant athletic director at the University of Massachusetts—at Columbia Point in South Boston—and looks great. . . .ALFONSO ZAMORA and CARLOS ZARATE did $357,440 for their bout at the Forum in Inglewood, California. . . .who was it said boxing is dead???? DAVE ZYGLEWICZ, who boxed JOE FRAZIER for the title years back, is training kids for ring action. He had his first one, DARRELL "CLYDE" BEATTIE, debut the other night in Albany, N.Y. BEATTIE came home a kayo winner and performed like a seasoned veteran. ZIGGY is mighty proud of the lad. This is just a starter, he has many more raring to go. . . .When LEE CANALITO boxed GREG SORRENTINO the two cornermen were good friends for years—ANGELO DUNDEE in the corner with CANALITO—and CARMEN BASILIO with SORRENTINO. Years back, DUNDEE was BASILIO'S cornerman for all of his big fights. . . .California middleweight KARL VINSON has left Sacramento to reside and fight in Philadelphia. . . .Veteran boxing manager JOE HERMAN is touring Southern California. JOE is former owner of the gym NEWMAN-HERMAN GYM in Frisco, and travels far and wide. He loves fishing. JOE is one veteran boxing man who figured ALFREDO EVANGLISTA got jobbed. JOE said to this writer, "Maybe I'm blind and stupid in my old age—I figured EVANGLISTA won by a good margin over ALI—unless, body punches don't count anymore." Got to admit it JOE, ALI didn't do much against the Spanish lad, at that. . . .The LEON SPINKS backers figure it is time to meet some of the heavyweight who amount to something—fellows like LARRY HOLMES—and maybe SPINKS is ready for HOLMES at that. . . .The newly crowned light heavyweight champ, W.B.C. version, MIGUEL CUELLO, will box MATE PARLOV next. . . .SAM SILVERMAN keeps the ring game alive in Boston—even though his fistic talent is getting mighty scarce—there really isn't much around Beantown any longer, certainly no one who can climb in with a "name," and hold his own. No more NORMAN HAYES, JOE RINDONES, RALPH ZANELLI, PAUL PENDERS, TONY DE MARCOS, and TOMMY COLLINS. Seems those days are gone forever, but it's the same in the cities—not many fistic luminaries on the horizon.

ELLIOTT STOPS MORALES

By JIM BUSS

Allentown, Pa. — Christy Elliott stopped Jose Morales, 6, light-heaveweights Steve Michalerya, Allentown, knocked out Robert Hart, Philadelphia, 1, Junior middleweight.

Welter Alsenyo Green, Allentown (pro debut), lost to Ernie Gladney, Philadelphia, 4, split decision.

Al Yasbick, Philadelphia, and Robert Smith, New York, drew, 6 rounds heaveweights.

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THE BRITISH ISLES

By RON OLVER

FINNEGAN REGAINS BRITISH 154 TITLE

A defiant John Conteh declared, "I am still champ" after the WBC stripped him of his world light heavyweight crown for refusing to fight Argentina's Miguel Cuello in Monte Carlo.

Royal Albert Hall, London—Kevin Finnegan, Iver, 159¼, regained the British middleweight title by beating Frankie Lucas, Croydon, 159, the bout being stopped in the eleventh of a scheduled fifteen-rounder because of a cut over Lucas's right eye. This must have been quite a relief to Finnegan, who was himself cut on both eyes, his right eye being almost shut. The blood from these injuries made them look even worse than they were.

This was a contest of tremendous courage on both sides in a grim duel between two men of vastly different experience. Finnegan is also a former European champion, and at 29 now has his eye firmly set on regaining that crown, too.

Lucas, 23 years old and a former British amateur champion and holder of a Commonwealth Gold Medal, was taking part in only his tenth bout in three years as a professional. He has become nicknamed the "wild man" because of his method of fighting, and as such has found it difficult to obtain opponents.

Finnegan is of Irish extraction, Lucas was born at St. Vincent, for whom he won his Commonwealth Gold when he was not selected to represent England.

Kevin relinquished his British title to concentrate on the European crown. When he lost the latter he twice tried to get his national title back from champion Alan Minter, but each time was narrowly defeated. Then Minter was made to relinquish the crown because other commitments kept him from defending it in the time allowed by the British Boxing Board of Control.

So the scene was set. Experience versus youth, and a grimmer struggle has rarely been seen. They punched each other to a standstill in their efforts to obtain supremacy.

Finnegan's first injury came in the second round, when a clash of heads left him with a cut over the right eye that worsened as time went on . Nevertheless he showed superior skills against a determined opponent who never let up. Much of the time it was punch for punch, but it was noticeable that the greater accuracy came from the more experienced man.

In the seventh Lucas was cut by the right eye, which gave his opponent the necessary encouragement to put in another assault, landing neat jabs and hooks that drove Lucas back. But Finnedgan's cuts were looking bad, and he must have known that the chances of him being allowed to continue until the end were not good.

At the start of the eleventh round Kevin was still there and looked ahead on points. Lucas, too, was still battling on, albeit his injury had worsened, and after 2 min., 15 sec. referee Harry Gibbs inspected Frankie's injury, from which the blood was flowing freely, and decided it was too serious for him to continue.

Lucas was naturally disappointed, especially as his opponent seemed to have been marked more than he had. But Frankie's trainer George Francis remarked that Harry Gibbs' decision was good enough for him.

As for Finnegan, his forehead wound required two stitches, his right eye was closed and his left eye grazed. But he had proved his point.

▲Premier Ring Sporting Club, London—George Gray, Aberdeen, 182, outscored Pat Thompson, Liverpool, 178, over eight by 79-78. This reversed a previous verdict just a fortnight earlier.

Tony Zeni, Highgate, 131, beat Gerry Howland, 132, who was retired by his corner at the end of the second because of an eye injury. Howland was down in the opening round.

▲Manor Place Baths, London—Tony Hudson, Peckham, won the vacant Southern Area light middleweight title by outpointing Albert Hillman, Farnborough, over ten rounds by 98-97.

Southpaw Hudson countered well, had caught up with Hillman by the halfway stage, then it was Hillman's turn again. Hudson then rallied to take the last round, and clinch the fight.

Debutant Andy Braidwood, 146¼, easily outpointed Johnny Elliott, Bournemouth, 148, over six by 60-57½, an impressive display in an all-southpaw clash.

Peter Neal, Swindon, 146, gained a sensational knockout win over experienced Tommy Joyce, Doncaster, 146, in the third round. It was only Neal's eighth bout, and he punched hard with his right cross. Southpaw Joyce was cut on the right eyebrow.

Dave Cammiss, Eltham, 160½, outpointed Romal Ambrose, Leicester, 160, by 40-38 over four.

Paul Bussette, Willesden, 168½, outpointed Clint Jones, Crawley, 167½, over six by 59½-58½.

▲National Sporting Club, London—Johnny Pincham, Crawley, outpointed Mickey Ryce, Abingdon, over ten by 98½-97½- to win the vacant Southern Area welter title. Pincham seemed to have the fight sewn up by the half-way stage, being quicker to the punch and fleeter of foot. Ryce then made his effort, and Pincham was forced to hold on momentarily.

Pincham showed his class by coming back with clever jabbing, and indeed his left hand work was a feature of the whole contest.

Mickey Morse, Burnt Oak, 149¾, comfortably outscored Jim Moore, Bradford, 154¼, over eight by 80-76½, not losing a round. Morse gave an impressive performance, and Moore was decked in the seventh.

Frank McCord, Swansea, 140½, outpointed George Daines, Concaster, 148½, over four by 40-38, to chalk up his third successive win as a pro.

▲Holytown—John Mount, Wishaw, 148½, drew with Terry Schofield, Bishop Auckland, 150, over eight. Moore took one or two hard punches in the sixth, and Schofield seemed to have the better of the final rounds.

Willie Booth, Glasgow, 134, beat Von Reid, Birmingham, 135¼, the bout being stopped in the third after Reid had been down four times.

Danny McCafferty, Glasgow, 168, returned after a year's inactivity and defeated John McCallum, Glasgow, 172, the referee intervening in the fifth after the latter had been down for seven. Both went down, and when McCallum rose he had a cut on the left eyebrow which caused the stoppage.

Jim Thompson, Glasgow, 162, avenged a previous defeat by outpointing Owen Robinson, Birmingham, 161½, by 60-58½ over six.

▲Templemore Sports Complex, Derry—In a fight for the All-Ireland featherweight title, Damien McDermott, Derry, beat Northern Ireland champion Jim McAuley, Belfast, who retired in the fourth, and afterwards announced his retirement from the ring.

Jim Montague, Antrim, won the All-Ireland light welter title by a narrow and disputed points victory over Ray Ross, Ardglass. Scoreline 99-98½ over ten.

Sean McGarry, Ballaghadereen, beat Pat Campbell, Belfast, in a lightweight bout, the bout being stopped in the fifth.

Tony Monaghan, Derry, kayoed Danny Friel, Derry, in the fourth of a light heavyweight contest.

▲Yorkshire Executive Sporting Club, Bradford—Chris Glover, Liverpool, 142, confirmed a previous victory by outpointing Jimmy King, Birmingham, 142, over eight by 79-78. Glover deserved his win because of his cleaner punching, but King was never in trouble. The last round was the best.

Francis Hand, Liverpool, 173, made it seven wins in a row by outscoring Manny Gabriel, 174, Kettering, with many fans showing their appreciation by tossing in nobbins. Scoreline 79-77½ over eight.

Dave Owens, Castleford, 161, made it eight fights without defeat by outpointing Jim Moore, Bradford, 154, over eight by the narrow margin of 79-78½.

Mick Atkinson, Stockton, 174, won every round in outpointing Lol Szabo, Manchester, 174½, over four by 40-38.

▲Midlands Sporting Club, Solihull—Midlands Area heavyweight champion Garfield McEwan, Birmingham, 178½, easily outpointed Eddie Fenton, Leicester, 174¾, over eight by 80-77, winning every round. This confirmed a previous verdict, and afterwards McEwan said he would in future box as a light heavyweight.

Roy Commosioung, Luton, 154, beat Dave Davies, Bangor, 153½, the bout being stopped in the second round when Davies was cut over the right eye due to an accidental butt.

Tony Allen, Birmingham, 177, outscored Vernon Scott, St. Pancras, 173½, over eight by 79½-77½. An untidy contest, with Allen being warned for hitting on the back of the head, and both boxers incurred censures for clinching and mauling.

Alan Hardiman, Hemel Hempstead, 147, beat Jimmy King, Birmingham, 145, the bout being stopped in the third with King under pressure

Henry Cooper, Larkhall, 164, outpointed Steve Fenton, Leicester, 164, over eight by 79-77½.

▲De Montfort Hall, Leicester—Tony Sibson, Leicester, 162, didn't lose a round in outpointing substitute Sonny Kamunga, Zaire, 162, over eight by 80-76½.

Kevin Davies, Nottingham, 135, won the Midlands Area lightweight title by outpointing the holder Godfrey Butler, Birmingham, 133, over ten by the narrow margin of 98-97½. Southpaw Davies kept his right lead working, but Butler proved the more powerful puncher, and had a good period in the middle rounds.

Mickey Bell, Leicester, 131½, kept his unbeaten record by drawing with Alan Oag, Edinburgh, 128, over six. Oag had been inactive for five months, when he was kayoed in one round, and it took him awhile to get acclimatised.

Dave Taylor, Liverpool, 140, outscored debutant Johnny Gwilliam, Birmingham, 138, over four by 40-38½.

Clifton Wallace, Birmingham, 163, another debutant, outpointed Paul Bussette, 167, over four by 40-39. Wallace kept pressing, was not always accurate, but did enough against an opponent who boxed only in spasms.

▲Anglo-American Sporting Club, London—Tommy Dunn, Reading, 137, outpointed Tommy Davidd, Highgate, 137, over eight by the narrowest margin of 79-78½. Because it was such a good fight, many fans thought Davitt deserved a draw, but referee Harry Gibbs preferred Dunn. Certainly the latter won the final round, although he was cut on the face and his nose bled.

Keith Bussey, Camberwell, 160½, outscored Jim Moore, Bradford, 155, over eight by 79½-78. It was Bussey's eleventh win in succession, and he won by a street.

Neil Malpass, Doncaster, 199, outpointed Derek Simpkin, Swadlincote, 204½, over six uneventful rounds. Scoreline was 60-58½.

Winston Spencer, Walworth, 137, beat Frank McCord, Swansea, 140½, who retired at the end of the third with an injured right hand. Spencer looked on top when the closure came.

Debutant Martin Bridge, Bradford, 140, outscored Delvin Whyte, Tottenham, 140¾, by 60-57½ over six, not losing a round.

▲Twentieth Century Sporting Club, Southend—Chris Williams, West Ham, 162, defeated Joe Hannaford, Liverpool, 156, the bout being stopped in the second round, much to Hannaford's disgust.

Mick Mills, Islington, 152, beat Johnny Hamm, Basildon, 152, who retired at the end of the fifth after being down for nine, and saved by the bell.

Debutant Rocky Butler, Ealing, 140, comfortably outpointed Dave Taylor, Liverpool, 141, over six by 59½-58. Boxer beat fighter in this one.

Johnny Beauchamp, Portsmouth, 141, outpointed Delvin Whyte, Tottenham, 138, over six in a crowd-pleaser. They shared £100 for the "best bout of the evening."

Eric Purkis, Wembley, 145, outscored Peter Beauvoisin, Portsmouth 143, over six by 59½-58.

▲Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool—Midlands Area lightweight champion Kevin Davies, 142½, kept his unbeaten record by outpointing Chrus Glover, Liverpool, 140½, over eight by 78½-78.

Winston Cousins, Manchester, 168½, beat Francis Hand, Liverpool, 173¼, the bout being stopped in the eighth and final round when Hand was cut by the left eye.

Eddie Smith, Manchester, 160, drew with Jimmy Pickard, Pudsey, 162, in a fine crowd-pleaser, with a lot of punches thrown, and a popular result.

▲Wolverhampton Civic Hall—British light heavyweight champion Bunny Johnson, Birmingham, 177, beat Harry White, Northampton, 174, the bout being stopped in the ninth of a scheduled ten-rounder. Johnson's title was not at stake in this overweight match. It was all very easy for Johnson, who coasted, winning most of the rounds.

Since moving down to the light-heavyweight division, former heavyweight Johnson has won four successive bouts, all inside schedule.

Joey McIntosh, Birmingham, 147, outpointed Colin Ward, Northampton, Birmingham, outpointed Colin Ward, Northampton, 150, over eight by 79-78.

Roy Varden, Nuneaton, 136, outjabbed Steve Butler, Wakefield, 134½, over six by 60-58½, but brother Paul Varden, 122, was narrowly outscored by Don Aagesen, Birmingham, 124, by 59-58½ over six. Paul was cut by the left eye in the opening round, and Aagesen recovered from a bad spell to earn his win.

Doub Ralston, Leicester, 164, beat Neville Esteban, Manchester, 161, who was ruled out for persistent holding tactics after being censured on three occasions. Ralston was on top at the time.

Nagib Daho, Manchester, 134½, beat Kevin Sheehan, Alfreton, 134, the referee intervening in the second after Sheehan had been on the receiving end.

Wayne Floyd, Cranleigh, 140, knocked out Marty Jacobs, Liverpool, 141, in the first round with a right hand.

▲Anglo-American Sporting Club, Manchester—Dave Owens, Castleford, 162, kept his unbeaten record by defeating Howard Mills, Huddersfield, 163, the bout being stopped in the eighth and final round.

Carl Bailey, Manchester, 146½, outpointed Roysie Francis, Manchester, 148, over eight by 79-78.

Steve Enwright, Halifax, 129, outscored Dave Wraxhall, Manchester, 131, by 50½-58½ over six.

Tom Collins, Leeds, 179, won an easy points victory against Mick Dolan, Manchester, 171. Scoreline 60-57½ over six, with Dolan decked in the fourth, and struggling to survive in the last two sessions.

▲Hove Town Hall—Mick Minter, Crawley, 153¼, outpointed Terry Knight, Brighton, 150, over eight by 79-78, nobbins to the value of £11 coming into the ring from appreciative fans.

Trevor Groomes, Croydon, 137½, outscored Eric Purkis, Battersea, 140½, over six by 60-57½, not losing a round in the process.

Johnny Beauchamp, Portsmouth, 144¾, outpointed Earl Noel, Walworth, 140½, over six by the narrow margin of 59-58½. Substitute Noel put up a good fight, and actually decked his opponent in the sixth with a hard right.

Henry Mears, Brington, 194¼, gained a four-round points victory over Alan Butters, Southampton, 179½, by 39½-39.

Billy Warner, also from Brighton, 191¼, outpointed Johnny Clark, Streatham, 208, over four by 40-38½.

▲Swansea—Noel Evans, Swansea, 118, knocked out Jimmy Bott, Liverpool, 118, in the third with a left hook. When they met previously the result was a draw.

Dai Davies, Swansea, 140, drew with Phil Morris, Tredegar, 137, over four.

Colin Breen, Swansea, 164, drew with Joe Jackson, Leicester, 167, over eight.

▲Merthyr Sports Centre—Welsh featherweight champion Les Pickett Merthyre, 125, kayoed Frenchman Gerard Jacob, 128, in the second round with a right to the jaw.

Johnny Wall, Merthyr, 136¾, outscored Panama's Adolfo Osses, 135¾, over ten by 100-96½, not losing a round.

Central Area light-heavyweight champion Alek Penarski, 179, won every round in outpointing Bimbo Pearce, Newport, 177½, over eight. Pearce was decked for eight in the sixth, deposited by a right to the chin.

Debutant Bryn Griffiths, Rhondda, 116, drew with Ian Murray, Manchester, 118, over eight, and there were those who thought the newcomer deserved to win.

Another first-timer, Ray Pearson, Newport, 162½, beat Dave Shaw, Sheffield, 170, the bout being stopped in the fourth with Shaw shipping punishment.

▲Great International Sporting Club, Nottingham—Dill Collins, Llantwit Major, 136, outscored Barry Price, Brighton, 137, over eight by the narrow margin of 79-78½.

Joe Griffin, Dartford, 159, beat Jim Moore, Bradford, 159, the referee intervening in the fifth after Moore had been down four times.

Kelvin Webber, Porth, 140, outscored Martin Bridge, Bradford, 140, over six by 59½-57½. Webber's fifth win in a row, and a decisive one.

George Gray, Aberdeen, 182, comfortably outscored Alan Ward, Mexborough, 198, over six by 60-56½, not losing a round.

▲St. Andrew's Sporting Club, Glasgow—Eddie Burke, Woodside, 161¾, kayoed experienced Carl Thomas, Cardiff, 161, in the second with a right to the chin. Thomas never looked like beating the count.

Manny Gabriel, Wellingborough, 173, outpointed Reg Long, Peterlee, 174½, over six by 59-58½, and looked more superior than the closeness of the scoreline suggested.

Debutant Peter Rushfirth, Leeds, 148, outpointed George Kidd, Glasgow, 147, over six by 59½-58½. Kidd was down in the fourth, and found Rushfirth too strong for him.

▲National Sporting Club, London—Kevin Doherty, 130½, outpointed Kenny Matthews, 130, over eight by 79½-78. Both boxers are from West Ham.

Mickey Quinn, Barking, beat Steve Fox, Farnborough, the bout being stopped in the third after Fox had been down.

▲Manor Place Baths, London—In what some critics thought was the best contest seen for some time in a "small hall" (or "club show," as the Americans term it) Dave Proud, Penge, 148, outpointed Peter Neal, Swindon, 146, over eight by the narrowest possible margin of 78½-78.

Neal's big moment came in the fourth, when he caught his man coming in and decked him for seven. Proud did not seem unduly hurt, and rallied to such an extent that he forced Neal to hold on in the later stages of the round, and in the following session Dave had his best period, shaking his opponent on one or two occasions.

The pattern of the fight was the same almost throughout, both hooking and swinging, both refusing to give ground.

One of the most gruelling bouts for a long time, and as a result Proud may well get a chance at the Southern Area title.

Kris Smith, 235, outscored outpointed substitute Tommy Kiely, Brighton, 193, over eight by 79-78½, but there were many who disagreed.

Debutant H.H. Thompson, Catford, 160, kayoed Paul Bussette, Willesden, 166, in three with a right hand that put Bussette flat on his back. He just failed to beat the count.

Dave Cammiss, Eltham, 158½, outscored John Breen, Belfast, 162, over six by 59½-58.

▲Cunard Hotel, London—Dave Smith, Eltham, 113, beat Neil McLaughlin, Derry, 111, who retired with an eye injury at the end of the seventh.

These two are the only genuine flyweights in Britain apart from champion John McCluskey, who has not boxed for a long time, but the Board of Control would not permit this bout to be recognized as an official title eliminator because of their inexperience. The only snag seems to be where these two will get the necessary experience. Certainly not from repeatedly fighting each other.

Winston Spencer, Stamford Hill, 137, beat Pat Cambell, Belfast, 135¾, the referee intervening in the third ater Campbell had been decked for six.

Wayne Floyd, Cranleigh, 141, confirmed a previous win by outpointing Sylvester Gordon, 143¼, by 59½-58½ over six.

Johnny Elliott, Bournemouth, 149, outscored Mick Hampston, Lewisham, over six by 59-58½. Boxer beat fighter in this one.

▲Digbeth Civic Hall—In a final eliminator for the British light middlweight title, Larry Paul, 154, beat Pat Thomas, Cardiff, 152½, who was disqualified in the fifth for "continual holding."

Both are former British champions, Paul at light middle and Thomas at welter, but the fight nesr reached the heights. Paul assumed command from the opening bell, and Thomas never looked like taking the play away from him.

A pity it had to end this way, but referee James Brimmell was very patient and had no alternative after issuing a final warning.

Barton McAllister, Clapham, 140, beat Des Gwilliam, Birmingham, 140, the bout ending after the fifth when Gwilliam was retired by his corner.

Johnny (brother of Des) Gwilliam, Birmingham, 135, outscored Steve Holdsworth, Watford, 135½, over four by 39½-39. Not everyone agreed with the verdict, which was booed by a section of the crowd.

Debutant Dennis Price, Wolverhampton, 156, outpointed Romal Ambrose, Leicester, 157, over four by 39½-38½.

▲Yorkshire Executive Sporting Club, Bradford—For the fifth time in their six bouts Derek Simpkin, Swadlincote, 203, beat John Depledge Leeds, 204, this time on points over eight. Scoreline 79½-78.

Steve Enwright, Halifax, 126, made it four in a row by beatign Dave Wraxall, Manchester, the referee intervening in the sixth after Wraxall had been decked. A week earlier Enwright beat Wraxall on points.

Martin Bridge, Bradford, 140, outpointed Dave Farrell, Birkenhead, 139, over six by 60-58½, not losing a round.

COMMONWEALTH RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHT

Championship
Vacant
1. Billy Aird (E)
2. Richard Dunn (E)
3. George Chuvalo (C)
4. Denton Ruddock (J)
5. John L. Gardner (E)
6. Isaac Hussien (E)
7. Tony Moore (J)
8. Ngozika Ekwelum (N)
9. Fonomanu Sekona (T)
10. Maule Haumona (T)

LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT

Champion
Tony Mundine (A)
1. John Conteh (E)
2. Bunny Johnson (J)
3. Tim Wood (E)
4. Victor Attivor (G)
5. Phil Martin (E)
6. Steve Aczel (A)
7. Gary Summerhays (C)
8. Baby Boy Rolle (J)
9. Joe Vella (A)
10. Al Gattling (A)

MIDDLEWEIGHT

Champion
Monty Betham (NZ)
1. Alan Minter (E)
2. Kevin Finnegan (E)
3. Bunny Sterling (J)
4. Fernand Marcotte (C)
5. Carlos Marks (Tr)
6. Julius Luipa (Z)
7. Frankie Lucas (St. Vincent)
8. Daniel Levesque (C)
9. Semi Bula (A)
10. Gerard Bouchard (C)

LIGHT-MIDDLEWEIGHT

Champion
Maurice Hope (Ant)
1. Rocky Mattioli (A)
2. Elisha Obed (Bah)
3. Jean-Claud Leclair (C)
4. Jimmy Batten (E)
5. Ayub Kalule (Ug)
6. Johnny Holt (A)
7. Neil Pattel (A)
8. Sammy Barr (Bah)
9. Larry Paul (E)
10. Pat Thomas (J)

WELTERWEIGHT

Champion
Clyde Gray (C)
1. Dave Green (E)
2. John H. Stracey (E)
3. Henry Rhiney (J)
4. Steve Dennis (A)
5. Achille Mitchell (D)
6. Billy Waith (W)
7. Kevin White (E)
8. Kirkland Laing (J)
9. Peter Morris (E)
10. Chris Clarke (Can)

LIGHT-WELTERWEIGHT

Champion
Hector Thompson (A)
1. Lachie Austin (A)
2. Martin Beni (Pap)
3. Ali Afakasi (NZ)
4. Des Morrison (J)
5. Ross Eadie (A)
6. Gaeton Hart (C)
7. Chris Walker (E)
8. Kerry Bell (A)
9. Chris Davies (W)
10. Billy Mulholland (A)

LIGHTWEIGHT

Champion
Jonathan Dele (N)
1. Jim Watt (S)
2. Charlie Nash (I)
3. Barry Michael (A)
4. Andy Broome (A)
5. Matt Ropis (A)
6. Colin Powers (E)
7. Johnny Claydon (E)
8. Len Blackmore (Guy)
9. Fitzroy Giuseppe (Tr)
10. Tommy Dunn (E)

FEATHERWEIGHT

Championship
Vacant
1. David Kotey (G)
2. Art Hafey (C)
3. Alan Richardson (E)
4. Les Pickett (W)
5. Vernon Sollas (S)
6. Merv Wockner (A)
7. Dave Needham (E)
8. Eddie Ndukwu (N)
9. Jackie McGill (S)
10. Jeff Pritchard (W)

BANTAMWEIGHT

Champion
Sulley Shittu (G)
1. Paul Ferreri (A)
2. Paddy Maguire (I)
3. Brian Roberts (A)
4. Wayne Evans (E)
5. Johnny Owen (W)
6. Paddy Graham (I)
7. Guinea Hillier (A)
8. Steve Walker (A)
9. George Sutton (W)
10. John Kellie (S)

FLYWEIGHT

Champion
Patrick Mambwe (Z)
1. John McCluskey (S)
2. Charlie Brown (A)
3. Steve Bell (A)
4. Dave Smith (E)
5. Neil McLaughlin (I)

Billy Moeller (A) is the Junior lightweight champion. There is no official contender at present.

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WORLD-WIDE FIGHT RESULTS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Randall Cobb Knocked out Earnest Smith (KO3)
Bill Fischer Stopped Danny Lee (KO6)
Baker Tinsley decisioned Charlie Jordan (4)
Guy Casale drew with Matt Robinson (4)
Tom Prater kayoed Charles Atlas (KO8)
Lou Esa knocked out Willie Goodman (KO2)
Rick Mills halted Kelly Perkins (KO3)
David Plisko kayoed Bill Baker (KO5)
Akira Saito stopped Tim Robinson (Ko1)
Doug Ahonen won over Vernon Johnston (6)
Bernardo Mercado knocked out Randy Stephens (KO2)
Mike Koranicki stopped Nick Wells (KO9)
Lucien Rodriguez decisioned Jean Pierre Coopman (15)
(won European heavyweight title)
Leon Spinks kayoed Bruce Scott (Ko3)
John Tate stopped Norm Kues (Ko1)

LIGHTHEAVIES
Victor Galindez defeated Richie Kates (15)
(retained WBA lightheavyweight title)
Bobby Cassidy won over Christy Elliott (10)
Edgar Wallace decisioned Chuchu Garcia (10)
Norman Sweeney stopped Bubba Brooks (KO4)
Johnny Fields stopped Phil Staab (KO1)
Charlie Bryant decisioned Percy Hairston (6)
Anthony Joes halted Johnny Fields (Ko5)
Tommy Sacco decisioned Eddie West (4)
Matty Ross stopped Eddie Owens (Ko9)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Mike Colbert won over Rudy Cruz (10)
Rodrigo Valdez stopped Oreste Lebron (Ko5)
Marving Hagler knocked out Roy Jones (Ko3)
Damiano Pellegrino knocked out Gabrielle Lazzari (Ko6)
Mayfield Pennington decisioned Gary Broughton (Ko10)
Charlie Swift kayoed Jimmy Ruccio (Ko1)
Steve Gregory knocked out Roy Caruthers (Ko2)
Gerald Bouchard decisioned Fernand Marcotte (12)
Alain Turenne kayoed Ricky Zarbatany (Ko6)
Dan Veskovic beat Larry Myers (8)

JR. MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Ayub Kalule won over Elisha Obed (10)
Eddie Gazo knocked out Koichi Wajima (Ko11)
(Retained WBA Jr. Middleweight Title)
Billy Backus beat Rafael Rodriguez (10)
Vincenzo Ungaro stopped Mongi Ladhili ('ko4)
Ruben Nuncio stopped Arturo Cirlos (KO3)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Pete Ranzany beat Abel Cordoba (10)
Armando Muniz stopped Zovek Barajas (KO4)
Angel Espada kayoed John Morgan ((KO2)
Dave Proud beat Peter Neal (8)
Agusto Lauri drew with Giuseppe Di Padova (8)
Angelo D'Isidoro decisioned Angelo Tomasini (6)
Jorgen Hansen knocked out Marco Scano ('ko5)
(won European welterweight title)
Erkki Meronen stopped Nelson Gomes ('ko3)

JR. WELTERWEIGHTS
Jimmy Heair knocked out Dennis Haggerty (KO2)
Nani Marrero beat Saoul Mamby (10)
Miguel Montilla stopped Bernardo Diaz (KO2), kayoed Jose Batista (Ko3)
Jo Kimpuani knocked out Jesue Rodriguez (Ko1)
Ray Leonard stopped Vinnie DeBarros (Ko3) defeated Willie Rodrigues (6)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Jose Soto decisioned Francisco Rodriguez (8)
Lucio Cusma stopped Gianfranco Cianoconi (KO3)
Santino Reali knocked out Renzo Battistelli (KO6)
Eddie Graves beat Jerry Strickland (6)
Augustine Estrada kayoed Roberto Vasquez (KO9)
Tony Aranda won over Juan Dande Ramirez (10)
Johnny Lira stopped Victor Hernandez (KO7)

JR. LIGHTWEIGHTS
Bobby Chacon stopped Miguel Estrada (KO2)
Natale Vezzoli kayoed Georges Cotin (KO11)
(retained European Jr. lightweight title)
Salvatore Liscapade stopped Giuseppe Agate (KO2)
Leo Scorza drew with Vincenzo Di Bari (6)
Ralph Racine decisioned Ray Carrington (10)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Rafael Ortega defeated Harugi "Flipper" Uehara (15)
(retained WBA featherweight title)
Earl Large decisioned Jose Navarette (8)
Salvatore Melluzzo won over Mouldi Manai (8)
Pedro Jiminez won over Michele Siracusa (15)
(retained European featherweight title)
Isaac Vega decisioned Joey Mayes (8)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Sean O'Grady Stopped Jerome Smith (KO1)
Alberto Davila kayoed Frankie Duarte (KO5)
Alberto Sandoval knocked out Paddy Maguire (KO3)
Franco Zurlo halted Jacky Bihin (KO8)
(retained European bantamweight title)
Jose Gonzalez outpointed Jose Del Rio (10)
Mzukisi Skweyiya outpointed Richard Mooise (12)
Luigi Tessarin decisioned Claudio Tanda (12)

FLYWEIGHTS
Miguel Canto beat Kimio Furesawa (15)
(retained WBC flyweight title)
Franco Udella stopped Jose Cantero ('ko5)
(retained European flyweight title)

WORLD RATINGS

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put him into the number six place, from eight. Floyd Mayweather moved from nine to seven on a win over Ron Pettigrew. John Stracey and Gant both drop due to inactivity, Stracey to eight and Gant nine.

Junior welters David Green and Saoul Mamby both lost last month. Green dropped from three to five after losing in his bid for the world welterweight title against Palomino. Mamby lost to unranked Nani Marrero and he fell from fourth to ninth. Monroe Brooks moved up to four and Dominican Miguel Montilla won two bouts over Bernard Diaz and Jose Batista to move up from ninth to fourth. Dropping out of the ratings are Rudy Hernandez and Tony Petronelli. Hernandez lost his only bout of the year while Petronelli failed The New York Commission physical. Moving into the ratings is Dominican Nani Marrero, number eight. He defeated Mamby and Zaire's Joe Kimpuani, who is four and zero this year, his last win being over Jesus Rodriguez.

Esteban DeJesus remains No-1 with his defeat of Vicente Saldivar, who drops from three to four. Vilomar Fernandez moves up one place, won his last two outings. Perico Fernandez falls from five to six, lost to Muangsurin in a bid for the W.B.C. junior welter title. Medina moves up a spot, due to Fernandez dropping one place. Giancarlo Usai win over Vencenzo Burgo moves him from nine to eight. Hugo Barraza dropped, inactive and he will box as a junior light. Guinaldo moves up one spot due to Barraza. Andrew Ganigan, Hawaii breaks into the number ten spot with victories over Tury Pineda and Jose Talamantez. Andrew is undefeated.

The junior lightweights added former W.B.C. featherweight king Bobby Chacon to the top ten. He scored two wins over Roman Contreras and Miguel Estrada. He replaces Tyrone Everett, who was shot to death. Chacon moves into the tenth spot, everyone else moves up a spot.

Ezquiel Sanchez, who lost to world featherweight king Alexis Arquello in a non-title bout, drops one spot, with Matthews going up a place.

W.B.A. featherweight champ Rafael Ortega moves up from ninth to seventh after his win over Flipper Uehara. Jofre retired, to be replaced by Richard Rozelle, No. 10. Cervantes dropped a spot due to inactivity.

Bantamweight Sean O'Grady goes up to the fifth spot from the seventh with a pair of wins, Tony Sanchez and Jerome Smith. Frank Duarte drops from fifth to ninth after being kayoed by unranked Alberto Davila, who moves into the top ten in the eighth spot. Paddy Magure, Ireland, falls out of the rankings to make room for Davila. Paddy lost his last two bouts. Franco Zurlo retained his E.B.U. title and moved up from ninth to sixth. He defeated Jacky Bihin. Mexico's Robert Ruvaldino dropped one spot, inactive.

There were no changes in the heavy's, and flyweights.

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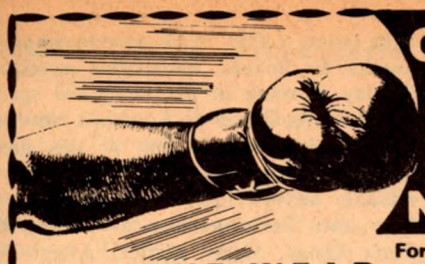

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VETERAN BOXERS' BEAT

By Harry Warren

Congratulations to Murray Goodman, the boxing publicist. He celebrated his 63rd birthday and was given a surprise party from the boxing writers at his office on Madison Avenue. . . .

Newsboy Brown, who fought flyweight Corporal Izzie Schwartz to give VBA, Ring 8's Izzie the world title, lives in Hollywood, California. Instead of boxing memorabelia and boxing posters, Newsboy covers his apartment walls with Playboy Magazine "Pinups." at 70, he sure keeps young. . . .

Former New York Police heavyweight champion Harold Besser makes a great Sgt-at-at-Arms for Ring 8. At six-feet four-inches and 300 pounds he keeps the meetings in order. Harold is proud of his daughter Nancy who is the champion all round gymnast and captain of her school, Lincoln High, in Brooklyn. . . .

The Reverend Henry Armstrong, former triple champion of the world, is a Director of the Boy Scouts of America. . . . A great middle-weight in the 30's, Vinnie Green had a pacemaker implanted in his chest, but he keeps busy as treasurer at St. James Theater in New York City. . . .

Freddie "Red" Cochrane, the former welterweight champion of the world, is a highly qualified engineer and has been seen doing his stuff at the N.Y. City A.C. . . .

Long Sing Que, a one-time formidable flyweight and bantamweight who fought many champions and contenders during his 225 fight record, was never knocked out. He is a staunch member of VBA, Ring 8.

Jack Grebelsky, founder and first president of VBA, Ring 8, of New York, received an invitation for President Jimmy Carter's Inauguration and party, but could not go due to wife Betty being in bad health. . . .

Luis Rodriguez, former welter champion, drives a truck in Miami, Florida, and Florentino Fernandez, the former hard punching Cuban compatriot of Rodriguez, is a chef at the Fontainebleu Hotel in Miami Beach. . . .

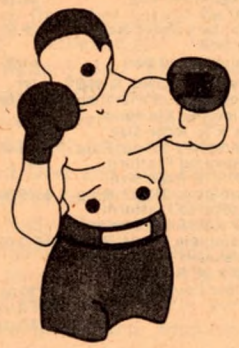
Mike Santa Maria, a former more than useful welterweight, was honored by his Union, I.B.E.W. Local 3. He also received his 20-year service scroll. Mike, active democrat in the Bronx where he resides, is a member of VBA, Ring 8. . . . The British Isles are very active with many boxing promotions and in practically every city there is a large, well organized ex-boxers' association. London certainly must be reckoned as the strongest ex-boxers' group in the world, with over 1,000 paid membership. The London Ex-Boxers' Association meets every Sunday morning at the large and spacious Sobel Sports Center on London's North-side. Several hundred turn out at this unusual time. Secretary Jack Powell, a former formidable heavyweight, finds the job a full-time one. Such notables as Johnny Kent, Larry Gains, Harry Mizler, Albert Finch, Lou Pinkas, Billy and Tommy Barnham, Henry Cooper, Albert Finch, Nipper Pat Daly, Charlie Edwards, Jack Lewis, all famous in their native country, turn out regularly. British Boxing News scribe Ron Olver, the overseas correspondent for the RING magazine, writes a regular report of Old Timers' happenings for the popular Boxing News. . . .

Saw likeable former heavyweight contender Eddie Blunt at a recent Ring 8 meeting. After a serious operation from which he has fully recovered, Eddie is now back working in his locksmith store in upper Manhattan. Born August 29, 1912, he turned to boxing in 1935 and quit in 1947, during which time he had participated in 87 scraps. "I was never an amateur, but I got to be pretty handy with my fists," siad Big Eddie. He was managed by Abe Kettler and trained by the late Whitey Bimstein. He fought some great fighters, like Buddy Baer, Abe Simon, Nathan Mann, Lee Savold, LeRoy Haynes and Jack Trammel. Blunt went to work on the waterfront as a longshoreman after retiring from boxing, but is now retired from that profession. Eddie and his wife, Marie, have four children and five grandchildren, all of whom are doing well. . . .

Henry Hall, former welter champ of Great Britain, operates a Dairy. Henry, now recovered from a broken hip, is extremely proud of his son, who plays soccer for Bradford City. His wife, Margaret, and he have six children, but no boxers in the family as yet?

Longtime treasurer and stalwart of VBA, Ring 8, of New York, is Phil Rutha. Battling Phil, boxed from 1930 to 1937, was managed by Walter Lang. Rutha, now 63, met Johnny Horstman, Johnny Carabella, Johnny LoBianco, now a well known New York referee, and Gaspar Abruzza, the latter fight was referee'd by former heavyweight king Jack Dempsey. Phil and charming wife Lou Ann, are proud of their two children and 7 grandchildren. Recently Rutha was the recipient of a special award at a testimonial dinner given by Ring 8 which was attended by just about everybody in boxing and was attended also by RING magazine's own Sam Taub.

Leonard DelGenio is an ex-great fighter who moved into the acting business after he retired. "Serpico," "Godfather 1 and 2," got him off on the right foot, and in between film making, Lennie is a competent musician and vocalist—he made such a hit entertaining at the Colony in New York, that he is now entrenched in the lounge of the Tropicano Hotel in Las Vegas.



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SPINKS BROS, TATE WIN

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Glasgow, 144¼, and then stopped him at 2:23 of 4. The win for Denny gives him a 6-0-1 record. Former Canadian Olympic boxer Chris Clarke, Halifax, 146¾, punched too hard and too often for Raymond Rousseleau, Quebec, 157¾. In the initial round a hard left by the southpaw Clarke dropped his opponent for an eight count which took the steam out of him. He was again dropped later in the round. Surviving the second round, Rousseleau looked a well beaten fighter at the bell. Starting fast for the third round Clarke again dropped Rousseleau at 1:26 of the round, and the bout was wisely called to a halt.

Big John Tate, Knoxville, 228, Bronze Medal winner in the '76 Olympic Games, faced a last minute replacement in Norm Kues, Toronto, 193, who was making his pro debut. Tate administered a savage beating in just 105 seconds after the bell, when the carnage was halted. The power of Tate's body blows combined with the heavy shots to the head of Kues had even the hardened fights fans flinching.

Olympic God Medal winner Michael Spinks, St. Louis, 167, did a clean and quick performance on Joe Borden, New Glasgow, 175, who was counted out at 2:20 of the second. In the opening round, Spinks was given a foot race by Borden who had the right idea: so long as he could stay out of range of Spinks' right hand he would remain healthy. Spinks was in no mood for foot racing and started to cut the corners down on the back pedalling Borden who took a pair of eight counts from a body punch and one to the head. A clean fast shot to the chin of Borden bought the bout to a quick and abrupt ending.

The bigger half of the Spinks brothers, Leon, at 201, had a journeyman fighter in Bruce Scott, Beaumont, Texas, as an opponent scheduled for eight rounds. Scott, at just over 190, was a last minute replacement for the 'no-show' George Jerome. This was far from being an impressive bout. Right from the bell to start the bout Spinks charged across the ring intent on annihilating Scott who used his pro experience well to offset the rough, wild attack of Spinks. Twice in the second round Scott was on the canvas, not from punches delivered by Spinks, but from the wrestling tactics used by Spinks, who was frustrated at his inability to take out his game opponent.

During the third round it was obvious that the rough and relentless pressure by Spinks on Scott was beginning to take its toll. During that round the referee warned Spinks for the use of the hand behind the neck to pull Scott into punches.

In the closing seconds of the round a wild rush and flurry by Spinks caught Scott backing up on the ropes, and as the bell sounded a hard right to the head dropped Scott. The bell rang to end the round and the referee did the correct thing according to the rules by continuing the count over the fallen Scott who was counted out. It will go in the records as an official K.O. in the third round.

During the bout Leon Spinks failed to be impressive wasting far too many wild and off the target punches. He is easily frustrated and switches to the rough tactics when the opposition becomes hard to handle.

In the main event over ten rounds Canadian lightweight champion Jean Lapointe, Montreal, 133, and Danny Stokes, Toronto, 132½, set a fast pace right from the opening bell. Stokes carried the fight to Lapointe in the first two rounds and at the completion of these there was little to choose between the two.

At the start of the third round the champion had now warmed up to the job on hand and started to beat Stokes to the punch and keep him off balance with a sharp stinging left hand jab. Moving well and keeping on top of Stokes, Lapointe won the round in fine style. Stokes was showing the effects of the hard fought round when he sat on his stool to end the round.

In the fourth round Stokes made an effort to get back control of the bout by starting off fast and taking the fight to Lapointe. During a fast exchange of punches Stokes was nailed with a short left hook to the jaw which set him back on his heels. Going for broke he tried another toe to toe punch out with Lapointe who by this time had him trapped in the corner. After a barrage of punches by Lapointe for a full thirty seconds on the trapped Stokes who was unable to defend himself, the referee stepped in and halted the bout to save Stokes from further punishment.

GALINDEZ VS. KATES

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The only comment that Kates had after the bout was, "I lost." Asked if he wanted to go around for a third time, he said, "I may retire after this one. I had two chances at it, but it just wasn't in me."

Galindez stated after the contest, that he would go on to other men. Having faced two close ones, Galindez no longer wants to box Kates, as he has had his chance.

JIMENEZ TAKES OUT SILVA

By LUIS A. GONZALEZ V.

Cartagene — Central American superbantam title holder, Nestor "Baba" Jiminex, of Colombia, knocked out his costarican rival, Raul "Nuracan" Silva at 2:53 of the 5th round.

Alfonso Perez, Colombia's lightweight champion, swarmed over Otoniel Martinez, Barranquilla, with a furious attack in the 3rd round and Martinez abandoned in the next. Carlos Mejia, welter, decisioned Mateo Valdes in six. Leonidas Asprilla with power punching, fulmined Alfredo Junco, in the 3rd. Junco was floored in the second and twice in the 3rd.

▲Another draw wa that between Adalberto Vanegas, Cartagena, and Johnny Gonzalex, Monteria, in ten in a welterweight go. Pedro Espitia beat Pedro Espejo by a TKO in the five (Feathers).Zenon Viellojin, in his debut, decisioned Rafael Ramirez in four (Bantamweights.)

▲**Sincelejo** — Zenon Silgado, named "Puyanube", captured the colombian Jr. welter title from Miguel "Turoo" Betruz in the fourth round of a scheduled 12. Domingo Osorio, flyweight, outpointed Manuel Rios, in 4. Alejandro Oviedo kayoed Manuel Mercado in 50 secs of round 1. Olimpo Santos, Corozal, lost to Jacinto Herrera, Cartagena, in the ninth by a TKO in a bantam affair.

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ACTION IN EUROPE

By JACK A. TREE

Jiminez, Vezzoli Keep EBU Titles, Scano Loses

NINO Jimenez (23) was hard pushed to hold onto his European featherweight title outscoring challenger Michel Siracusa, France, over fifteen rounds at Madrid. A draw would have been fairer to the challenger, who appeared to lose only a couple of rounds to the champion. Siracusa fell foul of the third man for his unclean boxing for which he received several warnings. Jimenez will probably vacate his crown because of recent weight difficulties. Before this bout against Siracusa he had to shed three kilos within twenty four hours.

At Randers in Denmark, Dane Jorg Hansen dethroned European welterweight champion, Marco Scano, Italy, winning in the fifth. In all, the Dane's have had 32 European title fights winning 15, losing 16 and drawing one. Marco Scano won the vacant welterweight title beating Briton Pat Thomas, KO 2, and made a defense against Luciano Borracia. The welterweight division has had 106 bouts and 37 champions since Young Joseph (GB) was first crowned when he outscored Battling Lecroix, France, over twenty rounds in Paris on 19 December 1910.

Danes and Italian's have met one another for a Euro crown and eleven occasions. The Danes won five and lost six.

In a supporting bout on promoter Mogens Palle's show was a ten rounder between Ugandan southpaw Ayub Kalule and ex-world junior middleweight champion Olisha Obed. Kalule won on points over the ten rounds. The fight was billed as an eliminator for Eckhard Dagge's WBC junior middleweight title. Ayub has now won all of his ten fights since touring professional a year ago. In 1974 he was the world's amateur champion.

At Brescia, European junior light champion, Natale Vezzoli, held on to his crown beating Frenchman Georges Cotin, the referee, Jean Deswert, Belgium, stopping the challenger from coming out for round twelve. Cotin's left eye was almost closed after a couple of rounds.

Spain's Avenamar Peralto (above) drew against Germany's light heavyweight champ, Leo Kakolewicz, in Hannover.

ITALY

▲**Cagliari**—Natale Caredda retained his Italian featherweight title outscoring Ambrogio Marjani, twelve. Lightweight, Antonio Puddu beat Giovanni Maiorano who retired with a cut eye in round five. Flyweight. Salvatore Laconi beat Sabatino DeFilippo who retired with a cut eye in round four.

▲**Ozieri**—In a bout for the Italian flyweight title Claudio Tanda outscored Franco Buglione, twelve.

▲**Forli**—Junior welterweight. Primo Bandini outscored Ernesto Bergamesco, eight. Lightweight. Pellegrimo Ventrone decisioned Gregorio Ciancaglione, eight.

▲**Vicenza**—Giovanni Marchesini outscored Giuseppe Panunzio, eight.

▲**Luog**—Welterweight. Juan Luis Gimenez outscored Zefferino Morale, eight. Flyweight. Alfredo Mulas beat Luigi Paravati, KO2.

▲**Marsala**—Middleweight. Angelo Jacopucci outscored Gabriele Lazzari, eight. Featherweight. Vincenzo Morana outscored Vincenzo DiRuocco, six.

▲**Genoa**—Light heavyweight. Aldo Traversaro beat Daniel Anekore, KO3. Welterweight. Mario Guilotti beat Tony Casado, TKO7. Lightweight. Angelo Provenzano beat Giovannino Mannu, who retired with a cut eye in round four.

▲**Padua**—Mario Romersi held on to his Italian middle weight crown outscoring Luciano Sarti, twelve.

▲**Civitanova**—Featherweight. Sergio Emili outscored Jose Rodriguez, ten.

▲**Milan**—Italian lightweight champion, Vincenzio Burgio, retained his title outscoring Franco Diana twelve. Rinaldi Pellizzari outscored Giacinto Cattani, eight. Lightweight. Giancarlo Usai beat Jean Claude Sider, TIO2. Junior welter. Franco Gallo beat Rocco Frasca, TKO4.

▲**Rome**—Middleweight. Luciano Sordini beat Mariano Solomone, TKO3. Roberto Fellicioni, beat Biagio Violino, TKO3.

▲**Faenza**—Junior welterweight. Juan Jose Gimenez beat Luis Ribeiro, TKO4. Junior middleweight. Alvaro Scarpelli drew his six rounder with Luciano Spina. Bantamweight. Alfredo Mulas outscored Salvatore Laconi, six.

▲**Brescia**—European junior light champion, Natale Vezzoli, Italy, held onto his title beating Georges Colin, France, the third man calling a halt in the rest period between rounds eleven and twelve.

FRANCE

▲**St. Malo**—Junior middleweight. Claude Martin outscored John Smith, ten. Welterweight. Alain Ruocco outscored Yannick Blandini, eight.

▲**Senlis**—Bantamweight. Jean Jacques Souris outscored Michel Walbert, six. Junior middleweight. Marc Petit decisioned Daniel Bouleux, six.

▲**St Quentin**—Light heavyweight. Eric Kopec beat Darko Barakovic, TKO7. Flyweight. Georges Lietaer beat Raymond Cordier, KO.

▲**Armentieres**—Bantamweight. Guy Caudron beat Fernando Bernardez, KO3. Welterweight. Salah Kaci beat Rene Vanherreweghe, TKO3.

▲**Chantilly**—Middleweight. Jean Claude Terlou outscored Andre Genasi, six.

▲**Commercey**—Welterweight. Andre Camonin decisioned Jacky Landini, six.

▲**Parigueax**—Junior middleweight. Joel Bonnetaz outscored Emile Griffith, ten.

▲**Lyons**—Junior welterweight. Jean Saadi beat Carlos Jose Diaz, KO5.

▲**Nouez le Mines**—Welterweight. Jean Claude Vanderbreght outscored Franco Soro, eight. Jean Marie Continaut beat Didier Kowalski, who retired with a cut eye in round three.

▲**Waziers**—Featherweight. Jean Yves Julien outscored Robert Van Rompaye, six.

▲**Creil**—Alain Marion won the French welterweight title outscoring champion Jacques van Mellaerts over twelve rounds.

▲**Soulon**—Welterweight. Alain Ruocco outscored Steve Angell, ten.

▲**Calais**—Light heavyweight. Phil Martin beat Yannick Dufour, TKO3.

▲**Lille**—Junior welterweight. Jo Kimpuani beat Jesus Rodriguez de la Rosa, TKO1. Featherweight. Guy Caudron outscored Ramiro Garcia Marichal, ten. Welterweight. Fred Coransen beat Mickey Minter, who was disqualified in round seven. Sali Kali outscored Luigi Renda, six.

▲**Sedan**—Light heavyweight. Gerald Bois beat Rab Affleck, KO2.

▲**Blois**—Junior light. Samuel Merck, France, outscored Jean Pierre Hainault, ten. Welterweight. Jean Pierre Moreau decisioned Andre Camonin, eight.

▲**L'Hay les Roses**—Welterweight. Alain Salmon outscored Antoine Capuano, eight.

▲**Paris**—In a bout for the French junior welter title, champion Jean Saadli lost his crown losing on points over twelve rounds to Jean Baptiste Piedvache. Saadli was decked for a count of eight in round twelve from a hard right and was given a standing count of eight. French junior middleweight, Claude Martin, beat Kevin White (GB) who was disqualified for a dangerous head in round nine. Both fighters were cut and Martin also received a warning in the sixth for coming forward with his head low.

BELGIUM

▲**Ostend**—Heavyweight. Lucien Rodriguez beat Arno Prick, KO2. Welterweight. Gus Bleus outscored Dirk Declerk, six. Featherweight. Jean Keirsebilck beat Jean Pierre Meganck, TKO4. Middleweight. Hendryk Seys beat Guido Beuselinck, TKO3. Lightweight. Messaoud Bouachiba and Gerard Bok drew their eight rounder.

▲**Nivelles**—Light heavyweight. Christian Mossoux and Fernand DeRuyter bout was declared no contest in the fourth. Welter. Chaid Ringo decisioned Dominique Cella, eight. Pol Payen beat Alain Salmon, TKO6.

▲**St Servais**—Junior middleweight. Clemente Tshinza outscored Alfredo Naveiras, eight. Junior welter. Filippo Rocchi decisioned Michel Vantouroux, six.

▲**Bruges**—Welterweight. Fredo Roelands outscored Fred Coransen, eight. Featherweight. Joris Demeyer decisioned Christian Valentin, six.

▲**Zele**—Welterweight. Alois Carmeliet outscored Luciano Borraccia, ten. Light. Vincenzo Quero beat Jean van Torre, TKO2. Heavyweight. Rudi Gauwe beat Ferrucio Mazzardi, TKO2. Middle. Hendryk Seys beat Bernard Artone who was disqualified in the fourth.

▲**Koekelberg**—Lightweight. Jean Pierre Lazolanu outscored Jean Michel Vantouroux, eight. Welterweight. Jean Claude Vanderbreght beat Chaid Ringo, who retired with an injured hand in the fourth.

▲**La Lauviere**—Junior middle. Pol Payen beat Branko Barakovic, KO2. Middleweight. Alfredo Naveiras beat Francis Vermandere, who retired with a cut eye in the fourth.

▲**Wandre**—Heavyweight. Al Syben beat Jean Belval, KO2.

SPAIN

▲**Madrid**—Junior middleweight. Dum Dum Pacheco and Kevin White drew their eight rounder. Bantamweight. Juan Francisco Rodriguez decisioned Laurent Grimbert, eight.

▲**Barcelona**—Lightweight. Antonio Guinaldo outscored Giancarlo Usai, eight. Featherweight. Manuel Masso beat Antonio DeFranca, KO2, Junior middleweight. Raul Anon outscored Fernando Bermejo, eight. Bantamweight. Abdelkader Esmain outscored Francisco Rodrigeuz Jeronimo, eight.

▲**Bilbao**—Junior welter. Jesus Rodriguez de la Rosa beat Marcos Jimenez, TKO2. Fernando Sanchez outscored Jean Claude Side, eight. Antonio Saez beat Juan Rubio Melero, TKO5.

▲**Santander**—Lightweight. Cecilio Lastra beat Joseph Tavia, KO3. Alonso San Miguel beat Mohamed Ouali, KO3.

▲**Almeria**—Featherweight. Nino Jimenez outscored Adolfo Osses, TKO4. Bantamweight. Juan Francisco Rodriguez outscored Laurent Grimbert, eight. Light heavyweight. Jose Ignacio Iniguez outscored Jose Antonio Galvez, eight. Junior welterweight. Jose Lopez Barrilado outscored Jose Manuel Domingo, eight.

▲**Las Palmas**—Welterweight. Dum Dum Pacheo beat Abel Messaoud KO7. Featherweight. Ramiro Suarez outscored Daniel Rodriguez Figueroa, eight.

▲**Leon**—Jose Fernandez beat Mohatar, KO3. Lightweight. Roberto Castanon beat Juan Barros, TKO5.

▲**Madrid**—Nino Jiminez retained his European feather crown narrowly outscoring Michel Siracusa, over fifteen rounds.

GERMANY

▲**Hamburg**—About 500 saw a boxing show staged in a tent in Hamburg. Junior light. Peter Bois, Germany, beat fellow countryman Hans Handricks, KO1. Welterweight. Erwin Heiber, German, beat Hans Wilhelm Ermen, Germany, KO2. Junior light. Lothar Abend, Germany, beat Klaus Jacobi, Germany, TKO4. Middleweight. Peter Scheibner, Germany, outscored Jacques Chinon, Luxembourg, eight. Middleweight. Hans Seyduck, Germany, drew his four rounder with another German, Arno Prick. Welter. Hans Joachim Trautwein (36) lost TKO3 to fellow German, Peter Lutz.

▲**Hannover**—Co-promoters Felix Grego and Horst Nitschke gave Hannover its first professional boxing programme in

nearly eleven years. A crowd of around a thousand saw the promoters lose some DM 20,000. In the main event Leo Kakolewicz, light heavyweight champion of Germany, drew his ten rounder with his seven year older opponent, Avenamar Peralta, Spain. Welterweight. Champion of German, Jorg Eipel, decisioned Clemente Tshinza, Luxembourg/Zaire, over eight rounds. Middleweight. Gregory Marshall, Berling/Barbados, drew his six rounder with Charley Schulz, Germany. Light heavyweight. Fedat Akova, a Berlin based Turk, beat Germany's Peter Baumgart, TKO3. Light heavyweight. Uwe Meinicke, Germany, outscored Barakovic, of Yugoslavia, six.

SWITZERLAND

▲**Bex**—Vinicent Ungaro outscored Clemente Gessi, ten.
▲**Basel**—A crowd of four thousand saw local lightweight Rudi Vogel (30) make a comeback after a year and outscore German, Klaus Jacobi (35) over eight rounds.

DENMARK

▲**Randers**—Jorgen Hansen, Denmark, won the European welterweight title beating Marco Scano, Italy, in five rounds. Junior middleweight. Ayub Kajule, Uganda, outscored Olisha Obed over ten rounds. Results of the other contest witnessed by a crowd of well over four thousand: Welter. Erkki Meronen, Finland, beat Nelson Gomez, Brazil, TKO 3. Junior welter. Hans Henrik Palm, Denmark, beat Eloy de Susa, Brazil, on points over six rounds. Heavyweight. Flemming Jensen, Denmark, outscored Tony Tescione, Italy, over six rounds. Light heavyweight. Mustapha Wassajja, Uganda, drew his six rounder with Avenamar Peralta, Spain.

KUDO DEFENDS JBC CROWN

By JOE Y. KOIZUMI

For the sixth time unbeaten Masashi Kudo successfully retained his JBC middleweight crown defeating top contender YuichiroWatanabe in a hard-fought rematch at Korakuen Hall.

Puncher Royal Kobayashi polished off Shigeru Sasaki, JBC sixth contender, in only 1:45 of 1.

Regarded as a power puff guy, former national champ Go Numata survived a knockdown, fought back hard, and regained the title from younger Tsuyoshi Okabe in their third battle in Sendai City.

In Kita Kyushu City, Orient junior middleweight leader Tsutomu Hagusa who had dethroned Yim Jae-Keun of Korea in an upset decision last year kept the championship, beating Filipino Armando Boniquit in 12 hot frames. Bruce Curry, U.S.A. easily finished Baffalo Suzuki with superior combinations in round seven of a Junior welter contest.

Despite his once broken jaw, Yu Kasahara, a smart puncher who boasts of an unblemished 10-0 (seven by kayo) record, appears to be a bright hope. By demolishing Bin Nakai in round three, Kasahara proved to be a prohibitive favorite against Waruinge Nakayama, ex-champ and Nakai's Clubmate, in an upcoming rematch.

In another tenner on the Kudo vs Watanabe card, fast-rising Yu Kasahara, who had become Japan's champ in his ninth pro bout by finishing Waruinge Nakayama, collected another kayo trimph this from Bin Nakai, Osaka fighter in 3. Kasahara, graduate from Chuoh Univ. at 122 ½ pounds, utilized stinging lefts effectivelyi, caught Nakai, 121 ¾, with a smashing one-two and dropped him on two occasions and out.

Kohsei Kawaguchi, newly rated in tenth position by JBC after his winning an upset decision from Shin^{9}ichi Aoki in a Shinjin-o final, stretched his streak to eleven by finishing veteran Hisao Sakurai in the sixth. Both weighed 123 ¾.

▲**Tokyo, Korakuen Hall** — Yuji Kihguchi, 125, from Kumamoto, who was crippled in his right leg from inmfantile paralysis defeated Norikazu Atomura, 125 ½, JBC No. 6 featherweight contender, by a majority nod in 10 good rounds. Despite the 23 year-old Yuji's awkward movements he made the best use of his developed shoulder and arms and outpowered the more agile Atomura and had him on the deck at the end of the sixth round.

Saida Promotion presented another tenner. Hideo Kobayashi, 118, JBC No. 5 bantam, barely decisioned hard-hitting rookie Hiroyuki Tanaka, 117 ½, by a unanimous decision, but the former was on the verge of a knockout loss on two occasions. In round one a typical right cross of Tanaka, who had iced eight men in 14 previous wins against four defeats, had the glass jawed veteran perfectly flat on the deck. Kobayashi, quite wobbly, was almost counted out, but wobbled to his feet at the count of 9. Though shaken up often and losing the second round, Kobayashi began to display his favorite cominations in the third to the eighth rounds except the fifth stanza, which had the whole crowd on its feet for the see-saw action. As the contest progressed, their difference in skills, especially in the close range rally, became obvious, as Kobayashi landed with short punches inside of Tanaka's guard.

Referee Sasaki saw the give-and-take affair 47-44, while judges Uchida and Asao tabbed 48-43 and 48-45 respectively in the slim veteran's favor.

In a four rounder, a quick knockout was scored in only 19 seconds by Masayuki Akabori, 117, who landed a haymaker right to the chin of Kazuyuki Ohtsubudai, 116.

▲**Ichihara City, Chiba Prefecture** — Shigeyosh Adachi, 125 ¾, engaged in a good bout with rising footworker Jaguar Sekino, 126, and JBC No. 4 122-pounder, from whom he earned a 10 round decision.

▲**Kita Kyushu City** — Orient junior middleweight champion Tsutomu Hagusa, 152, whom some critics dubbed 'Cinderella kid' due to his upset dethroning of Korea's Yim Jae-Keun last November, responded to a challenge of Armando Boniquit, 150, of the Philippines, and won a close decision in 12 heats. Some 4,000 spectators were in attendance, witnessing the 24 year-old champ's first defense.

▲**Tokyo, Korakuen Pingpong Center** — 20 year-old Bruce Curry, promoter Hitoshi Misako's import from the U.S. had some 700 witnesses amazed to see his rough, powerful and impressive kayo of Baffalo Suzuki, JBC No. 2 welterweight in the seventh round. Curry, 145¼, entered the ring under the name of Curry Fuju, proved too much for Suzuki in speed, power and physique. It was a lopsided affair, with Curry dominating all rounds but the fifth. Curry dropped the Japanese twice in the first and third rounds.

In a companion tenner, JBC top notchers both of whom were defeated by junior flyweight champ Kazunori Tenryu last year met in a speedy contest, and Puma Kohya, 110 ½, unanimously whipped Kenji Daruma, 111. Puma, the lanky rival's seven years junior at 22, outpowered Daruma with solid punches, taking the second, third, fifth and sixth sessions. Puma's aggressiveness prevented Daruma from displaying his vaunted right uppercut except in the ninth, when the latter was in command by a continual two-fisted attack.

In a scheduler eight, rookie Eiichi Fukumoto, ex-amateur ringster, showed a good left hook followed a convincing combination to floor Takumi Kasagawa on three occasions to score a first round kayo in only 99 seconds. Both tipped the beam at 141 pounds.

▲**Sendai City** — Having been defeated by Tsuyoshi Okabe in the challenger's town of Kyushu Island some four months ago, former champ Go (Hisami) Numata, 118, recaptured the JBC bantamweight crown from the 23 year-old taller man in 10 action-packed rounds.

▲**Sapporo, Hokkaido** — On the undercard which Yoko Gushiken retained his WBA junior flyweight crown by a 15 round nod over Venezuela's Rigoberto Marcano, Hisami Mizuno, JBC No. 3 junior featherweight, revealed his ring experience at a close range in copping a unanimous duke from Hiroyuki Iwamot.

In a supporting sixer, a 20 year-old ex-amateur lefty named Akio Kameda, 138 ¾, a tall upright stylist proved too sharp for Shigeru Goda, one pound heavier. He dropped the latter once with a quick left-right combo in the first canto and twice more with whiplash rights in the second round, and then finished him easily. Akio, is a propsect, with two wins in as many goes since he made his pro debut in Hawaii.

▲**In only 105 seconds of the first round**, hard-hitting Royal Kobayashi, 123 ¾, sank Shigeru Sasaki, half a pound lighter, with a solid right in round one of a scheduled tenner, before some customers failed to return to their seats at Korakuen Hall. Kobayashi, ex-featherweight champ dethroned by Yum Dong-Kyun in his first defense in Korea last November. He has been coached by U.S. veteran trainer Eddie Taunsend this spring, so his improvement was the matter to be talked about. At the opening bell he sent successive solid lefts to Sasaki's body, lowered his guard, and then one strong right caught Sasaki's Sasaki's chin and it was all over. Sasaki was flat on the deck for the count.

In a comapion tenner, Fighting Harada's best pupil, JBC No. 2 lightweight Hitoshi Takahashi, tall straight puncher at 134 ½, whipped Bomber Uchida, 133 ¾ and a stablemate of Kobayashi, to score a fourth round TKO. Takahashi, 134 ½, should improve his smoothness in punching and mobility to utilize his superior reach.

Korea — Ex-national featherweight champ Shuzo Yoshida went abroad for a campaign in Seoul, but lost a 10 round decision to Lee Jung-Shik. In his another tenner 11 days later, Yoshida engaged in a tune-up go for Yum Dong-Kyun's first defense, but dropped another decision at the hand of faster world champ Yum.

EUROPEAN RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
* Lucien Rodriguez (F)
1. Alfredo Evangelista (S)
2. Lorenzo Zanon (I)
3. Alfio Righetti (I)
4. Dante Cane (I)
5. Jean Pierre Coopman (B)
6. Kurt Ludecke (G)
7. Bernd August (G)
8. Jose Urtain (S)
9. Henny Thoonen (H)
10. Pier Mario Baruzzi (I)

JUNIOR MIDDLES
* Maurice Hope (GB)
1. Eckhard Dagge (G)
2. Rocky Mattioli (I)
3. Frank Wissenbach (G)
4. Joe Bonnetaz (F)
5. Jose Duran (S)
6. Claude Martin (F)
7. Mimoun Mohatar (S)
8. Josef Pachler (A)
9. Vincent Ungaro (I)
10. Jean Andre Emmerich (G)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
* Perico Fernandez (S)
1. Giancarlo Usai (I)
2. Vincenzo Burgio (I)
3. Antonio Puddu (I)
4. Vincenzo Quero (I)
5. Andre Holyk (F)
6. Jeronimo Lucas (S)
7. Alonso San Miguel (S)
8. Giancarlo Barabotti (I)
9. Gilbert Orsaldo (F)
10. Hans Henrik Palm (D)

LIGHT HEAVIES
* Mate Parlov (YUGO)
1. Domenico Adinolfi (I)
2. Aldo Traversaro (I)
3. Francois Fiol (S)
4. Freddy DeKerpel (B)
5. Robert Amory (F)
6. Harald Skog (N)
7. Avenamar Peralta (S)
8. Ennio Cometti (I)
9. Onelio Grando (I)
10. Christian Poncelet (F)

WELTERWEIGHTS
* Jorgen Hansen (D)
1. Marco Scano (I)
2. Alois Carmeliet (B)
3. Toni Ortiz (S)
4. Alain Marion (F)
5. Luciano Borracia (I)
6. Horacio Ruiz (S)
7. Jacques van Mellaerts (F)
8. Tomasso Marocco (I)
9. Vittorio Conte (I)
10. Jesus Rodriguez de la Rosa (S)

JUNIOR LIGHTS
* Natale Vezzoli (I)
1. Antonio Guinaldo (S)
2. Georges Cotin (F)
3. Roland Cazeaux (F)
4. Carlos Hernandez (S)
5. Manuel Llata (S)
6. Salvatore Liscapade (I)
7. Ramon Garcia Marichal (S)
8. Rodolfo Sanchez (S)
9. Mario Redi (I)
10. Rudi Haeck (B)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
* Alan Minter (GB)
1. Gratien Tonna (F)
2. Vito Antuofermo (I)
3. Jean Mateo (F)
4. Rudi Koopmans (H)
5. Germano Valsecchi (I)
6. Angelo Jacopucci (I)
7. Frank Reiche (G)
8. Mario Romersi (I)
9. Poul Knudsen (D)
10. Gerhard Nosley (F)

JUNIOR WELTERS
* Dave Green (GB)
1. Jean Baptiste Piedvache (F)
2. Primo Bandini (I)
3. Fernando Sanchez (S)
4. Bruno Freshi (I)
5. Erkki Meronen (F)
6. Jean Saadli (F)
7. Efisio Pinna (I)
8. Claude Lormeau (F)
9. Giambatista Capretti (I)
10. Walter Blaser (Swtiz)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
* Pedro Nino Jimenez (S)
1. Cecilio Lastra (S)
2. Elio Cotena (I)
3. Isidoro Cabeza (S)
4. Guy Caudron (F)
5. Michele Siracusa (I)
6. Pasqualino Morbidelli (I)
7. Natale Caredda (I)
8. Sergio Emili (I)
9. Salvatore Melluzzo (I)
10. Michel Lefebvre (F)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
* Franco Zurlo (I)
1. Salvatore Fabrizio (I)
2. Jacky Bihin (F)
3. Daniel Trioulaire (F)
4. Luigi Tessarin (I)
5. Esteben Eguia (S)
6. Pedro Molledo (S)
7. Teodoro Corallo (I)
8. Fernando Bernardez (S)
9. Angel Oliver (S)
10. Juan Francisco Rodriguez (S)

FLYWEIGHTS
* Franco Udella (I)
1. Fritz Chervetl (Swtz)
2. Franco Sperati (I)
3. Emilio Pireddu (I)
4. Claude Tanda (I)
5. Franco Buglione (I)
6. Mariano Garcia (S)
7. Jose Cantero (S)
8. Manuel Carrasco Hernandez (S)
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EDITORIAL

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needs. Gene Tunney pushed to the fore and was given a shot at Dempsey's crown although not given much of a chance by the experts of the era. On September 23, 1926, Tunney did the impossible: he soundly defeated over 10 rounds the seemingly invincible Dempsey, who was ring rusty due to some three years of inactivity and domestic problems which plagued him.

The stage was set for an encore and over 104,000 fans paid over two and one half million dollars at the gate for an all-time record for a fight. It still stands if one does not consider the ancillary rights of movies, radio and television which boost current gates.

Tunney again won, successfully defending his title, but not without the controversy. The seventh round was that of the "long count" in which Tunney was said to have received a 14 second count to prevent his being knocked out.

Was boxing on the downroad?

Coming up the road to prominence and the title, boxing then had Max Schmeling, Jack Sharkey, Primo Carnera (the ballyhoo champion of his era), Max Baer (the Cinderella Man), Jim Braddock, and then Joe Louis.

The "Brown Bomber," as he came to be known, won the title from Braddock with only one loss to mar his record, that to Max Schmeling in a twelve round kayo which saw Max lambast Louis with right hands. A year later, in 1937, Joe won his title from Braddock and then in 1938 knocked out Schmeling in one round to make him one of boxing's all time greats.

Boxing buffs of that era were sure that the sport had reached a high water mark and that there was no place for it to go but down.

"What will happen when Louis is no more?" On March 1, 1949, Louis announced his retirement as an undefeated heavyweight champion. He felt that there were no more worlds to conquer. He had been on the "bum of the month" routine and he was sure that it was time. Was boxing now going downhill?

Well, several tournaments were held to produce a successor. Out of the chaos emerged a greatly underrated champion by the name of Ezzard Charles. He was colorless at the gate and depended upon opponents to draw the fans. But then a veteran, Jersey Joe Walcott, defeated Charles and his style caught the fancy of the fans and boxing was mending. Suddenly a new face appeared in the person of Rocky Marciano and his slam bang, well conditioned smashing style had the fans breathless with excitement.

Joe Louis had come out of retirement only to be knocked out in eight by Rocky on his climb to a title shot. The year was 1951, and the following year "The Rock" defeated Jersey Joe Walcott for the heavyweight bauble. Rocky became a symbol of the knockout and the fans crowded into the arenas to watch his devestating style. On April 17, 1956, Marciano hung up his gloves as the world undefeated heavyweight champion. For years there were rumors of his return, but an airplane accident ended the rumors and his life.

Boxing buffs again picked up the wail: "Who is there to take Marciano's place? Woe is us."

Woe my foot! A young Olympic champion, Floyd Patterson, climbed into the ring in Chicago with an aging Archie Moore and won the now vacant heavy title by finishing off Archie in five rounds.

Patterson, to the fans, was "Mr. Good Guy," and they took to him. To this day he gets a tremendous ovation whenever he makes a personal appearance. Boxing was not dead.

For a short period Ingemar Johansson made the scene. Then came the thundrous right hand puncher, "The Big Brown Bear," Sonny Liston. A center of controversy due to his supposed "connections," Sonny took the title from Floyd, after Floyd rewon his title from Johansson, and Sonny was soon being tabbed as one of the hardest punchers of all time.

Then came Muhammad Ali, and we know how he defeated Liston and became a center of controversy. At this time as to this day the fans either loved Ali or came to see him killed in the ring. There have been few exceptions. His flamboyant speech and mannerisms have made him one of the most famous men in the world.

Then Ali came acropper with the government and his title was taken away by all except The Ring magazine. Out of the ensuing tournament there emerged Jimmy Ellis, the WBA heavy king, and Joe Frazier, the New York State version, and so they both met with Frazier the winner and champion.

Despite the loss of boxing's super salesman boxing had survived and indeed before George Foreman came on the scene to dethrone Frazier, many there were who were calling him a larger edition of Henry Armstrong and an all time great.

Forman's star ran high for a short span until Ali smashed his bubble in Zaire. Ali again had universal recognition. We are now faced with Jimmy Young and Ken Norton fighting an elimination for the right to meet Ali for a shot at his crown. But, win or lose, Ali's defense against Young or Norton will not mean much, since Ali can not seriously be considered to be gracing the ring for many more moons. His star has risen and is slowly being snuffed out by time.

Will boxing then be in trouble? Will it go downhill?

Emphatically, the answer is NO! As has always happened there are sitting in the wings young aspirants who will arrive as knights on white horses to inject new interest. They will not be the Ali type but will have their own personalities, and if one doesn't solve the problem another face will emerge from the crowd at the least expected time to catch the fancy of the boxing buffs.

It has always happened and there is sufficient talent in the bushes and there is sufficient money to be made to insure that the heavyweights will prosper and so will boxing.

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BACKUS DECISIONS RODRIGUEZ IN 12

By JIM LEO

At Syracuse, N.Y., — BILLY BACKUS, 148, Canastota, N.Y., the former world welterweight champion, continued his winning ways as he pounded out a 12 round unanimous decision over Rafael Rodriguez, 148, of Minneapolis Minnesota.

Backus began slowly but after the first couple of rounds took control of the contest though Rafael was always there and willing to come back. Backus sent his foe down in the sixth with a strong left hook, though Rafael claimed to have been tripped. Backus's power was evident. Billy seemed to hurt Rodriguez on occassions as he got home with some telling shots in the middle rounds.

Billy exhibited good body punching throughout while Rodriguez kept busy with his flurries which didn't seem to hamper Billy. Backus, outside of a nick under the eye, finished unscathed, while Rodriguez was cut over the right eye.

The battlers received a standing ovation in the final round for their gutty performances. For Backus looks stronger and better each time out, and he is now 47-19-4. (Bout scored, 7-4-1, 9-2-1, and 7-5, for Backus.)

In the eight round semi final, talented 18-year-old prospect Ralph "Rocky" Fratto, 155, Geneva, N.Y. scored a unanimous decision over experienced D. C. Walker, 152, of New Haven, Connecticut. Fratto showed poise and ability, taking his time yet doing all of the scoring against his dancing and clever foe. Rocky scored in the final two rounds as D.C. had to call on his experience to stay away from danger.

In a six rounder, heavyweight prospect Greg Sorrentino, 190, Syracuse, recorded a win over Bob Smith, 179½, of New York City. Sorrentinp was the aggressor while Smith was content to move.

In a four rounder, Rome, N.Y. bartender John D'Amore, 171, won the decision over Kevin Francis, 164, of New York. For the hard punching D'Amore it was win seven in his last eight outings.

Syracusan Frank Duck, 156, had a quick night with George Majors, 152½, of New York. Frank, stopped his foe at 2:20 of the scheduled four rounder.

In the opener, D.J. Cunningham, 120, Cincinnati, Ohio, was awarded the four round decision over Darrell "Clyde" Beattie, 124, of Cohoes, N.Y.

At Binghamton, N.Y. — In the feature bout Horst (Hoss) Giesler, 260, Toronto, Canada, stopped Chuck wepner, 218, from Bayonne, n.j., in the final round of a scheduled 10 rounder. Giesler, 24 years old seemed to dominate the scrap against the veteran, though both showed signs of early tiredness. The 6'5", Hoss, hit Chuck with a sharp left-right combination sending the Bayonne brawler tumbling to the canvas. Wepner, arose groggy, in this the last round, and when another right sent him smack against the ropes, Referee Vinnie Rainone intervened and called a halt at 1:19 of the round. Though Giesler was penalized the fifth and eighth round for backhand punching, he was still ahead into the 10th. The Hoss showed a good jab and right hand during the scrap Wepner, though not with the usual bleeding had a badly swollen shut left eye for the final two stanzaz.

In a six rounder, Johnny Warr, 194, New York City, punched out a decision win over Jerry Foley, 192, of Scranton, Pa. in a good bout.

In another six rounder, Benji Goldstone, 148, Albany, KO'd Don Melosh, 150, White Plains, at 2:50 of the 5th round. Goldstone's, right hand being the clincher.

In a six, Rocky Asterfire, 154, Brooklyn, made short work of Lorenzo Howard, 147, Albany, halting Howard at 2:02 of the opening round. Asterfire, had punched and pushed his opponent through the ropes twice and the referee halted the contest.

CANTU TKOs GARCIA FOR FLY CROWN

By EDUARDO AMER

▲**Monterrey, Nuevo Leon — Roberto "Kid" Rubaldino,** 119, stopped Shiji Kambara, 116, of Japan, in two rounds. Guadalupe "Cubanito" Hernandez, 121, TKO'd Jose Mauricio Garcia, 119, of Ecuador, in 5. David Escobedo, 116, TKO'd Elias "Chaparro" de Leon, 111, in 7. Rafael "Rafis" Martinez, 115, TKO'd Gustavo Martinez, 115, in four. AlejoCampos, 117, TKO'd Bonifacio Perez, 116, in one.

▲**Chihuahua —** Edel Borunda, 125, upset Ernesto Herrera, 126, Mexican featherweight champion, in ten.

▲**San Luis Potosi** — Carlos "Calacas" Segura, 112, decisioned Alberto "Costeno" Morales, 112, in ten. Alfredo "Nino", Segura, 111, halted "Jaibo" Hernandez, 110, in 5.

▲**Monterrey, Nuevo Leon —** Fernando Montes, 193, whipped Ruben Rivera, 179, in 12 rounds, to retain Mexican heavyweight title.

▲**Poza Rica, Veracruz** — Sixto Castillo, 125, Kod Octoavio "Famoso" Gomez, 125, in tenth and last round.

▲**San Luis Rio Colorado, Sonora** — Gerardo Ferrat, 135, won from Betillo Gutierrez, 135, in 12, to regainMexican lightweight crown. Ernesto Rios, 114, kayoed Martin ZZBuchanan" Garcia, 114, in 2. "Negro" Campos, 116, iced Jose Luis Castro, 116, in one.

▲**Meixco City** — Miguel Angel Juarez, 125, tko'd Rosendo Ramirez , 125, in four. Rodolfo Perez, 116, embalmed Serafin Pacheco, 117, in 3. Rodolfo Castillo, 125, bested Ruben Soriano, 125, in 8. Augustin "Kimba" Palacios, 112, TKO'd Pedro Zamora, 111, in 4. Juan "Coloradito" Robles, 134, TKO'd Pedro Zamora, 111, in 4. Juan "Coloradito" Robles, 134, TKO'd Jaime Carrasco, 134, in 2.

▲**Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua** — Rafael "Tanquecito" Gonzalez, 117, TKO'd Javier Caballero, 119, in 6.

▲**Mexico City** — Lupe Galindo, 136, TKO'd Ernesto Garfias, 132, in five. Ruben Garcia, 125, pplished off Benny Abarca, 123, in five. Alfonso Aguilar, 111, stopped Ricardo Gamboa, 110, in 8. Artemio Ramirez, 119, beat Roberto Merida, 118, in 6.

▲**Salina Cruz, Oaxaca** — Memo Ayala, 117, stopped Chucho Aparicio, 117, in 4.

▲**Tuxtla Gutierrez, Chiapas** — Gerardo Aceves, 125, halted Ney Gordillo, 126, in two. Abdul Bey, 125, of USA, and Jorge David Monzon, 125, fought a "No Contest" bout in 6. Tito Cruz, 146, outpointed Ernesto Caballero, 147, in ten. Jose "Toluco" Diaz, 124, won by a disqualification over Cenobio Nicolas, 126, in 8.

▲**Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas** — Ernesto Davis, 134, of Panama, beat Pedro Flores, 134, in 10.

▲**Coatzacoaicos, Veracruz** Gustavo Salgado, 125, KO'd Arturo "Kaliman" Merino, 125, in four.

▲**Matamoros, Tamaulipas** — Rafael Gandarilla, 112, TKO'd Angel Felix, 111, in 6.

▲**Salina Cruz, Oaxaca** — Jorge Morales, 116, KO'd Antonio Munoz, 117, in 2. Justo Garcia, 124, embalmed Manny Gomez, 123, in 3.

▲**Tuxtla Gutierrez, Chiapas** — Ruben Quintas, 145, won over "Pachuco Mendez, 146, in ten. Alfredo "Relampago" Burgua, 115, nailed Javier "Pajarito" Gonzalez, 116, in two.

▲**Apatzingan, Michoacan** — Memo Ayala, 117, polished off Roberto "Negro" Torres, 118, in 3. Miguel Lopez, 116, TKO'd Rafael Sanchez, 116, in 6.

▲**Gomez Palacio, Durango** — Sigfrido Rodriguez, 135, beat Aurelio Muniz, 135, in ten. Rocky Mijares, 113, demolished Concepcion Coronado, 112, in one.

▲**Guardalajara, Jalisco** — Pedro Martinex, 123, TKO'd Juan Cardona, 121, in 7.

▲**Acapuico, Guerrero** — Jorge de Jesus, 117, KO'd Aleja Villamar, 116, in 5. Jose Luis Galvan, 114, and Mario Torres, 113, No Contest in 8.

▲**Mazatian, Sinaloa** — Antonio Becerra, 118, TKO'd Candelario "Conde" Bbadilla, 117, in seven. Ismael Ruiz, 192, bombed Roberto Najera, 188, in one. Chanto Valenzuela, 119, kayoed Celso Rivas, 118, in four.

▲**Mexico City** — Joaquin Acuna, 112, TKO'd Jose Luis Valencia, 111, in four. Jorge Villarino, 134, decisioned Juan Sarmiento, 134, in ten. Juan Hernandez, 135, TKo'd Leo Cruz, 135, in one. Tony Cuellar, 109, TKO'd Evaristo Morales, 108, in 4. Pedro Moreno, 108, outscored Mario Rios, 109, in four.

▲**Mexico City** — Salvador Sanchez, 122, TKO'd Rosalio Badillo, 122, in 5. Gabriel Arnal, 110, decisioned Antonio Avelar, 111, in ten. Jose Cabrera, 125, TKo'd Crescencio Santana, 126, in 6. Elfego Lopez, 110, won from Alejandro Flores, 111, in six. Severo Bravo, 111, lost to Baltazar Espana, 110, in four.

▲**Mexico City** — Baby San Martin, 117, TKO'd Arturo Sanchez, 118, in tenl Justo Garcia, 119, Ko'd Jose Ru iz, 118, in 2. Nestor Adam, 147, kayoed Miguel Aceves, 145, in 6. Francisco Gonzalez, 110, halted Jorge Gutierrez, 110, in six. Arsenio Mercado, 125, put Juan, 124, to sleep in the first round

▲**Guamuchil, Sinaloa** — Tarcisioi "Famosito" Gomez, 117, bested Martin "Buchanan" Garcia, 115, in ten.

▲**Piedras Negras, Coahuila** — Luis "Chamaco" Cuenca, 124, outpointed Jorge "Alacrancito" Torres, 125, in ten.

▲**Culiacan, Sinaloa** — Jose Luis Soberanes, 135, TKO'd Alvaro Rojas, 134, of Costa Rica, in six.

▲**Ciudad Madero, Tamaulipas** — Lupe Pintor, 118, KO'd Enrique "Tranquita" Brown, 115, of Panama, in one. Jose "Mixe" Bautista, 116, stopped Chucho Aparicio, 117, in 6. Miguel Cruz, 113, kayoed Angel Mata, 112, in 8.

▲**Piedras Negra, Coahuila** — Roberto "Indio" Toxtle, 124, destroyed Carlos Mimila, 125, in four.

▲**Merida, Yucatan** — Paulino Canche, 117, decisined Lonny Pacheco, 117, in 12 rounds, to win Yucatan bantamweight title which was vacant. Luis Enrique Garcia, 109, won by a disqualification from Wilbert Canche, 111, in two. Juan Hernandez, 128, TKO'd David Barrera, 129, in seven. Panchito Figueroa, 111, outpointed Raymundo Valdez, 111, in 8. Luis Hernandez, 114, TKO'd Ernesto "Baby" Amaya, 115, in one.

▲**San Fernando, Tamaulipas** — Jose Luis Cruz, 112, kayoed Jose Angel Ruiz, 111, in five. Jorge "Mulato" Cruz, 116, iced Miguel Cantu, 117, in 1. Jose Baltazar, 125, bombed Pablo Cortina, 125, in 1. Artemio Palos, 114, bested Lalo Rodriguez, 114, in 6. Ramon Abarte, 111, outscored Pancho Silva, 111, in four.

▲**Minatitlan, Veracruz** — Camilo Ibarra, 124, ko'd Daniel Hernandez, 125, in four.

▲**Coatzacoalcos, Veracruz** — Esteban "Gallito" Gonzalez, 118, halted Lupe Cervantes, 118, in 6.

Mexico City — Antonio Kiris, 118, TKO'd Javier Solis, 119, in six. Ruben "Gato" Mancilla, 112, decisioned Roberto Gamboa, 112, in tenl Alejandro Lopez, 122, nailed Victor Olvera, 123, in two. Felipe Fernandez, 124, TKO'd Felipe Gomez, 124, in four. Anselmo Martinez, 114, TKO'd Ramon Villavicencio, 116, in four.

▲**Salina Cruz, Oaxaca** — Jose Luis Cruz, 112, flattened Beto Montoya, 116, in three. Jorge "Mulato" Cruz, 116. demolished Jose Flores, 116, in two. Jose. Jose Baltazar, 124, bested Rafael Hernandez, 125, in ten. Artemio Palos, 114, bombed Juan Razo, 115, in 1.

▲**Rio Bravo, Tamaulipas** — Jose Luis Cruz, 112, flattened Beto Montoya, 116, in three. Jorge "Mulato" Cruz, 116, demolished Jose Flores, 116, in two. Jose Baltazar, 124, bested Rafael Hernandez, 125, in ten. Artemio Palos, 114, bombed Juan Razo, 115, in 1.

▲**Guadalajara, Jalisco** — Chucho Saucedo, 124, decisioned Francisco Ortiz, 125, in ten. Serafin Pacheco, 117, TKO'd Ramon Villalobos, 117, in 4.

▲**Ciuidad Madero, Tamaulipas** — Carlos Mendoza, 121, of Panama, stopped Juan del Toro, 121, in 3. Raul Decaro, 117, embalmed Rudy Mendiolea, 117, in 3.

▲**Mexico City** — Abdel Bey, 124, USA, knocked out Antonio Nava, 125, in six. Antonio Sanchez, 116, decisioned Lalo Cuadros, 117, in ten. Manuel Hernandez, 116, TKO'd Manuel Luna, 116, in 8. Silvestre Victores,125, TKO'd Nacho Rivera,124, in six. Jose Reyes, 117, beat Demetrio Vega, 117, in four.

▲**Mexico City** — Maiguel Angel Juarex, 125, TKO'd Gustavo Salgado, 125, in six. Jose Mendez, 134, TKO'd Pablo Rodriguez, 134, in 4. Augustin Martinez, 123, outpointed Jose Luis Tapia, 123, in 8. Chucho Lopez, 123, TKO'd Emilio Martinez, 124, in 5. Armando Palma, 114, and Jose Florentino, 114, drew in 4.

▲**Gomez Palacio, Durango** — Joaquin "Petrolero" Macias, 159, stopped Rogelio "Buffalo" Vera, 158, in two. Reyes Torres, 112, and Rocky Mijares, 113.

▲**Nuevo Laredo, Tamulipas** — Carlos Cantu, 111, TKO'd Jose Garcia, 111, in 6. to become new flyweight champion of Tamaulipas State. Rafael Duram, 112, KO'd Talan Monsivais, 112, in two.

▲**Acapulco, Guerrero** — Leo Castellanos, 110, Tko'd Baltazar Espana, 110, in four. Jesue Sorroza, 112, Kayoed Manuel Mendez, 112, in five. Nicho Nino, 112, beat Abel Varbas, 114, in 8.

▲**Guadalajara, Jalisco** — Jesus Ramirez, 124, flattened Jaime Nava, 124, in 9. Carlos Gomez, 112, stopped Rafael Guerra, 112, in 9.

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tack to the body and scored with wicked left hooks to Green's jaw. In the midst of a savage exchange Green opened a slight cut over Palomino's left eye.

Green bucked Carlos' knees in the ninth with a jolting right, then boxed his way out of further trouble.

The challenger could barely see the punches bouncing off his body and face in the 11th heat when Carlos moved in to end the heated brawl with his potent left hook.

"Green was telling me during the rounds that I couldn't punch, but I guess he knows different now," said a jubilant Palomino.

Palomino's title victory was worth $100,000, more than double the figure he netted when he stopped Mando Miniz in 15 rounds last January 22 in Los Angeles. At that time it was reported that Carlos had injured his left hand in successfully retaining his WBC welterweight diadem, but it didn't seem to effect this fight.

A heavy 2 to 1 favorite to beat Green, Carlos recently graduated from Long Beach State College and bought a new home in Huntington Beach, California. Olympic Boxing Club matchmaker Don Chargin is trying to arrange a title bout with Pipino Cuevas of Mexico for the undisputed world welterweight throne.

Viva Mexico and Carlos Palomino, the West Coast's most exciting and No. 1 super champion!

FERNANDEZ OUTPOINTS GREEN

By CHARLES D. BROWN

Sunnyside Gardes, Queens, N. Y. C. — A crowd of about 800 turned out for Sunnyside Gardens' last show of Springs 1977, and they got their money's worth — a card of 34 complete rounds8no knockouts; no knockdowns; but a goodly amount of action.

In the 10-round main event, rugged junior lightweight contender Jose⁹ Fernandez (135½;Dom. Republic) had a one-sided but rugged time with inexperienced but hard-punching Frank Toro (142½; Juarex, Mexico). Toro entered the ring with a record of 14-3-1(10 Ko's), and did his best to prove that he belonged in the same ring with the far more experienced, tougher Fernandez (40-8-3;15 KO's). Ref Harold Valan didnt have many clinches to break, as the two men met head-to-head most of the way. Toro gets credit for guts. The young fellow hung in there despite a thudding body beating dished out by Fernandez, who has a windmill, pressure style that doesnt let you rest.

The ten-round semi-final was a dull affair between Ken Bristol (153½) Connecticut, and Angel Ortiz (1532½Puerto Rico). Bristol is a good prospect but he wasn't ready for a ten-rounder. Bristol got the unanimous decision.

In a sixer, Bobby Alexander (132, Brooklyn) one of our area's more interesting prospects, had surprising stubbornness to contend with in Curtis Smith (137, Bridgeport, Conn). Smith, who had not impressed in previous showings here, gave Alexander a hampering cut on the lower lip in the fourth round. Bobby got his second-wind and sewed up the decision with a late rally.

In a four, Dave Bolden (138½, Brooklyn) got the verdict over Merciades Jiminez (137½, Dominican Rep.) after a hard brawl that featured plenty of vicious punching.

The same went for the other four-rounder, in which Jose⁹ Figueroa (128½, Puerto Rico) got a split nod over Jimmy Cruz (129¾, New York City).

▲**Sunnyside** opened its summer season tonight before an average crowd of 700 fans.

Willie Classen (157½) local middleweight, is not an exciting fighter or a particularly skilled one. But he knows how to measure his talents—to get the job done when he has to do it. This spelled bad news for overweight import Alfonso Aguirre (164, Texas) who was a walking bulls-eye for the majority of the contest.

Referee John LoBianco halted the fight in round 5 after 2 knockdowns giving Classen the win. The workmanlike Classes is now 11-2-2;with 6 KO's.

The semi-final of ten heats saw an interesting light heavy match between Dave Conteh (183, England) and brawling Leo Rogers (179, Dom. Republic). Rogers, a ring tough guy, floored the smooth Conteh in the opening heat with a right to the chin and tired in degrees thereafter. Conteh, made conscious of Roger's power, was over-cautious until the fifth round. He then went on the attack and stunned the sagging Rogers several times until the bell of finality. The unanimous verdict for Rogers got a mixed reception. Conteh, a good prospect, is now 16-3. I think he should have won, judging by the final three heats.

In a welterweight six, deceptive-looking Luis Resto (148, Puerto Rico) surprised a lot of people by his 4-round TKO win over globetrotter Tyrone Phelps, the Battling Levinsky of the 1970's; who will substitute anywhere and often. Although not a great fighter, Phelps always goes the distance—or did until tonight. Resto had Phelps pressured constantly—always on the ropes and always on the losing side. Resto just shrugged off Phelps' best punches and kept belting away—finally Phelps fell—through the ropes at the close of third. The ref stopped it between rounds.

Salomon Powell (180, Hoboken, New Jersey) was matched against Roberto Castro (204), Costa Rica. After 1:44 of the first round, with nothing resembling a hard blow being landed, Powell walked back to his corner, shaking his head, and allowed referee Paul Venti to count him out standing up.

CUELLO WINS

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To save the night Jesse Burnett was hurried to Monte Carlo to meet Cuello for the vacant crown. 31-year-old Miguel Angel Cuello, a tough Argentinian, got off the floor in the fourth to KO Burnett in the ninth. Several thousand dollars worth of tickets were refunded and the Louis II stadium was nowhere near full.

Burnett was decked from a left hook, and although he tried to pull himself up with the help of the ropes, the Mexican referee, Raymond Solis, counted him out.

It was a hard right that dropped Cuello to the canvas in the fourth, and although he made his feet he took a mandatory count of eight.

Considering Jesse Burnett took this fight at such short notice, he did extremely well. A well prepared Burnett would have done even better and might have won the crown. A twenty-four hour journey from Los Angeles just forty eight hours before the bout was not in Cuello's favor.

On the undercard, middleweight Norberto Cabrera, an Italian based Aregentine, beat Wayne Bennet, Wales, in four and welterweight Bruce Curry, Los Angeles, outscored Juan Merlo, an Italian based Aregentine, over eight rounds.

COPELAND, MONACO DRAW

By RON COPHER

Baltimore-Joplin, Mo. fighter Johnny Copeland battled Dom Monaco of New York to a draw in an eight-round bout that had been scheduled for ten but was cut down because of a shortage of time for the TV commitment to the Leonard-Rodriguez bout.

The officials were split in their judgment as one saw Copeland winning, one Monaco winning, and the third official called the bout a draw. Copeland, now 33-20-1 with 28 knockouts, weighed 136 ½ while Monaco weighed in at 136 ¼. Monaco's record is now 23-7-3.

"It was a tough fight" Copeland said, "he was real short, about 5-4, and was tough to hit. His crowing style also bothered me. He was all over me and threw a lot of body punches, but he never hurt me. His face looked like it had been through a meat grinder at the finish but I couldn't put him down. I thought I won the fight."

▲**Cincinnati**—Sam Taylor of St. Louis was stopped in the fifth round by Aundra Love of Indianapolis in their welterweight bout at Riverfront Coliseum. Love's victory avenged a first round knockout scored by Taylor a month previously. Taylor's record is now 3-3 with three knockouts.

▲**Orlando-Springfield, Mo.,** middleweight John Pinney, fighting out of Tampa, scored an eight-round technical knockout over Alfonso Aguirre of San Antonio, Texas. The win raised Pinney's record 30-2-4.

Pinney had Aguirre down in the first round with a left-right combination. The referee halted the bout in the eighth due to a cut over Aguirre's right eye. Both fighters weighed 168 poinds Pinney is hoping for a rematch later this year with Mike Rossman who defeated him previously by a stoppage at Madison Square Garden. The only other fighter to defeat Pinney was Irish Gene Wells who split two bouts with the Missouri fighter.

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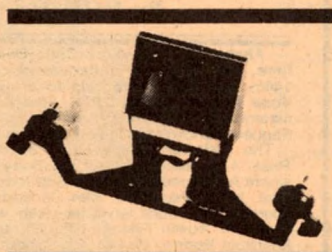

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In a r-rounder, Mike Rae of Brocktpn, looking like a prospect, at 131-pounds, punched out a thrilling four-round decision over game Peter Boges of Brockton, who weighed 130.

In a 4-rounder, Dom DiMarzo, 160, from East Boston, looked like another Rocky Graziano in his pro debut when he kayoed Rodnay Blac, 165, of Clinton, in one minute of the first.

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MIDWEST ACTION.

By JOHN McCAFFERTY

Cleveland Soctron — Ralph Moncrief 162, Cleveland won on a T.K.O. over Lee "Kemo" Barber 167, Detroit when the ringside physician would not allow Barber to come out for round 8.

Alberto Collazo, 27, Pittsburg, I.O.ed Eleadio Leal 125½, Chicago at 1.40 of the 2nd.

Johnny Fields, 175, Cumberland, Md. I.O.ed Al Bell 171½, Chicago at 2.16 of 2. Tommy May, 154½, Youngstown, won on a t.k.o. over D.C. Walker, 151, New Haven, when Walker did not come out for round three. Tommy Sacco, 157, Alliance, T.K.O. ed Pete Foster, 163½, Columbus, in three.

▲Lorain, Ohio Soctron — Harry Terrell, 193, Cleveland, K.O.ed Elkcana Moorer, 196, Cleveland, in the 7. Paul Ramos, 176, Cleveland, K.O.ed Larry Perdue, 170½, Cincinnati, in 1. Art McKnight, 146½, Mansfield, K.O.ed Richie Woods, 148, Cincinnati, in 10. Wilfredo Vasquez, 141, Lorain lost a 4 rd. nod to Jerry Strickland, 139, Cincinnati. Johnny Fields 176, Cumberland, Md. K.O.ed Jose Gutierrez, 181, Lorain in 3.

▲Cleveland Soctron — T0mmy May, 149½, Youngstown, T.K.O. ed Ronnie West, 153, Toledo, at 2.20 of the 7th. Art McKnight, 146½, Mansfield, won a 6rd. decision over tough Willie Wren, 146, Toledo. Steve Gregory, 153½, Columbus, K.O.ed James Brown, 151½, Cincinnati, in 1. Tony Johnson, 139, Cleveland, won 4 rd. decision over Jerry Strickland, 143, Cinti. Dave Donelson, 164, Cleveland, won on a t.k.o. over Ernie Witt, 165, Akron in the 2nd.

▲Mentor, Ohio Soctron — Ralph Racine, 132½, Buffalo, t.k.oed Ray "Ringo" Carrington, 132, Cleveland, in 5. Alberto Collazo, 127, Pittsburg, won 6 rd. decision over Benny Marquez, 130, Chicago. Eddie Graves, 138½, Youngstown, won 6 rd. decision from Jerry Strickland, 138, Cincinnati. Joey Mayes, 121½, Cleveland, lost a 6 rd. decision to Isaac Vega, 126, Chicago. Johnny Fields, 178, Cumberland, K.O.ed Phil Staab, 180, Mentor, in 1.

▲Lorain, Ohio Soctron — Willie Whipple, 127, Youngstown, K.O.ed Eddie Rivera, 127, New YOrk, in the 2nd. Frankie Williams, 182, Cincinnati, beat Harry Terrell, 199, Cleveland, in 6. Art McKnight, 147, Mansfield, beat Ron Petigrew, 146, Cleveland in 6. Anthony Jones, 180, Cincinnati, won on t.k.o. from Johnny Fields, 178, Cumberland, in the 5th. Birsee Ross, 158, Canton, K.O.ed Tony Straub, 154½, Cincinnati, in the 1st.

▲Louisville, Ky. — Bud Bruner-promoter . attendence — 586 paid. Mayfield Pennington, 159, Pikeville, Ky., won 10 rd. decision from Gary Broughton, 158, Brntford, Ont. Bill Fischer, 210, Dayton, K.O.ed Danny Lee, 192, Louisville, in the 6th. Charles Bryant, 175, Louisville, won a 5 rd. decision from Percy Hairston, 176, Knoxville, Tenn. Baker Tinsley, 211, Louisville, won a 4rd, decision from Charlie Jordan, 200, Detroit. Charlton Swift, 160, Knoxville, Tenn., K.O.ed Jimmy Ruccio, 161, Louisville, in the 1st.

▲Marion, Ohio — Bobby Boone, matchmaker for Marion Drum and Bugle Corps. Fate Davis 153, Akron, K.O.ed Frankie Kolavart 152½, Cleveland, at 2.05 of the 5th. Johnny Alexander, 127, Alliance, won a split 6 rd. decision from Little Tommy Fix, 132½, Shelby, Ohio. San Long, 159, Akron, won 4 rd. decision from Brisee Ross, 162, Canton. Steve Gregory, 157, Columbus , K.O.ed Ray Cruthers, 158, Akron at 1.20 of the second. Tommy Sacco, 159, Alliance, won 4 rdd decision from Eddie West, 166, Akron. Otto Palfy, 132½, Akron, scored a t.k.o over Charles Spicer, 135, Cleveland, in the 4th.

LOPES HELD TO DRAW

By DON HAMILL

Fitchburg — Wallace Civic Center — For the second time, New England welterweight champion, Tony Lopes, 146½, Brockton, was held to a split decision by veteran Jose Pagan Rivera, 152½, lowell. Like the first it was a scrambling bout lacking in science. Opies scored the more frequent punches but Rivera was the harder puncher.

The undercard left a lot to be desired. Promising Matty Ross, 179, Billcerica, was fed Barry Proctor, 180, Mattapan, whom he disposed of in the first round of the six round semi-final. In another sixer, Ben Sanchez, 150, Leominster, also scored a one round kayo, his victim was Jose Rodriguez, 152, Brockton. Austin Killeen, 160, Fitchburg, took four rounds to knockout Rodney Black, 163, Clinton. In the only prelim to go the distance, Ed Chase, 224, Clinton, ended up in a draw with Dennis Friel, 220, Bowdoinham, Me. Ted Coupe, 147, Lowell, continued to be impressive as he quickly stowed away Dave Fortin, 148, Clinton, in the first round.

▲Hartford Civic Center Veteran Charley Polite, 224,. Springfield, called upon his years of experience to garner what appeared to be a clear cut win over Dennis Jordan, 208, Wethersfield. He had to settle for a split decision after eight round rounds as one judge saw Jordan winning by a single point. Plite was in shape and handled himself as the Polite of yore. The local lad went all out in the final session but it was too late.

Luis Davila, 136, Hartford, picked up a clear-cut eight round decision over the ever-trying Jose Resto, 134, New York. Johnny Harris, 153, Hartford, win a six round decision over awkward D. C. WEalker, 152, New Haven. In four rounders: Luther Parks, 148, Elizabeth, N.J., got the nod over Jack Krystek, 148, New York; Steve Snow, 135, Holyoke, turned pro with a TKO over Alfonso Griggs, 138, Newark; and in the opener Edward Vigliotto, 143, Milford, stopped Mike Lytell, 139, New Haven.

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PUNCH LINES

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We hope you will see fit, in the near future, to run a story on her, because we are anxious to know more about her and just what kind of a person she is.

Robert L. Moore
Bernard Levine
Los Angeles, Calif.

IRISH GENE WELLS WINS BY KO

By BRUCE TRAMPLER

ORLANDO, Fla.—It was a fistic blend of something old and something new at Orlando Sports Stadium. The combined aged of two undercard fighters equaled that of the main event attraction, who was old enough to be the father of at least one of them.

Southern middleweight champ Irish Gene Wells, 155½, Orlando, retained his crown with an eighth-round TKO over tough J.T. Dowe, 152½, Tampa, in the scheduled 10-round feature. There were no knockdowns, but Dowe's vaunted punching power was in evidence on several occasions. Gene's record after seven bouts this year climbes to 55-11-5, with 24 kayos.

Fifteen-year-old James Salerno, 156, Orlando, became the youngest paid fighter in America when he turned pro with a unanimous four-round decision over veteran Tiger Hall, 152½, Sarasota. Salerno, trained by Dominick Polo and managed by Pete Ashlock, dropped Hall for the first time in his career in the opening round, and floored the Tiger again in the final canto.

Salterno, a Lake Howell High School sophomore, brought a large and vocal contingent of school pals to cheer him on. The kid can fight, and is a name to remember.

Scotty (Golden Boy) Clark, at 18, three years older than Salerno, had his 20th pro fight one day short of his first pro year. Clark, 144½, was a little stale and had to settle for an eight-round split decision over spunky little Yves Charlotin, 140½, Miami.

Clark, who has lost but once, embarked on a six-week vacation the next day, but will probably be rematched with Charlotin when he returns. In the four-round opener, Ed (Savage) Turner, 186, Orlando, nipped Willie Goodman, 205, Eustis.

Returning to the ring in a full-contact kick-karate match was former Southern junior middleweight champ Victor (Taco) Perez of Sanford, who scored a couple of knockdowns in taking a four-rounder from Dan Frenchy of Orlando. In a similar affair, Orlando middleweight Rocky Black whacked out C.J. Dollar of Orlando in one.

▲TAMPA—Southern Boxing Promotions had its third card of the year in the Cigar City.

In the main go, Southern junior middleweight king Edgar (Mad Dog) Ross, 156, Orlando, stretched his unbeaten skein to 34 bouts when he halted Sammy Barr, 164, Bahamas, in nine brutal rounds.

Ross (42-1-2, 33 KOs), ranked high in America by The Ring, attacked relentlessly a la Rocky Graziano, taking his lumps to land his own thumps. Barr, who late last year drew with ex-world champ Elisha Obed, just couldn't withstand the pressure.

As good as the main bout was, the semifinal 10-rounder was even better. Ernie Barr, 173, Bahamas, coldcocked one tough man in Glen Morgan, 174, Tampa, in the seventh round of a terrific slugfest. The pair pounded each other round after round, but when Morgan did go down in the end, he hit his head on a ring rope and could have suffered even worse injury.

Al Hogan, 205, New Orleans, jabbed his way to an eight-round decision over shorter Carl Baker, 204, Bahamas. Hogan claimed that he hurt his right hand in the early going. In the scheduled six-round curtain raiser, Frankie Suarez, 165, Tampa, won his second start with a surprising 2nd round TKO over veteran Slick Mitchell, 164, Brunswick, Ga.

▲PUNCH LINES—For one reason or another, many of the Orlando stable were recently sidelines. Lightweights Frankie Santore (tendinitis in left knee) and Termite Watkins (bad hands) were grounded, as was middleweight Milton Owens (recovering from broken left hand, due back shortly. Welterweight Scotty Clark was given a well-deserved month and a half off, after going to the post 20 times in his first 24 months as a pro.

Ready and available at Orlando Sports Stadium Gym are middleweights Irish Gene Wells and Mad Dog Ross, heavyweights Lous Esa and Savage Turner, and several other pros from around Central Florida. Under head trainer Jack Fletcher, assisted by Jim Molinell and Milton Owens, some 20 amateurs work out each evening.

BIG TIME BOXING BACK IN UTAH

By RUDY TALAMANTE

Big time boxing is on the comeback trail once again in Utah. With shows in Salt Lake, Ogden and Vernal. The latest was a super action card, at Salt Lake which was promoted by Joe Silva it was loaded with knockouts. In the main event, Javier Flores of Salt Lake, looked like a fighter to watch, as he out-slutted Julio Mendez of Chihuajua, Mexico, for a six round kayo. In the semifinal lightweight 10 rounder, Chillin Hernandez of Juarez, Mexico, stopped classy Richie Alvarado of Salt Lake in 8 rounds. It was Alvarado's first fight in a year. The bout was toe to toe all the way. The fans loved the nonstop action. Alvarado is going to meet Cookie Valanncea in a 12 round featherweight bout as soon as Alvarado sheds five pounds. The bout will be held in Ogden, outdoors, sometime this summer. In the eight round preliminary featherweight bout, Manny Shrimp Lopez completely outclassed tough Jose Infante, and knocked him out in round seven. Both boys are from Juarez, Mexico. The opening bout saw last year's Junior Olympic champ, Alberto Rellano, of Salt Lake being kayoed by hardhitting Red head Ike Williamson of Hollywood, Calif in the second round of their featherweight bout. Many local promoters are trying to lure the new featherweight champ Danny Lopez to Salt Lake for a non-title fight. Lopez, the former Utah amateur champ, would like to show his skills before the hometown folks. He is a big idol in Utah, and the first champion since middleweight champ Gene Fullmer held the title in the early 60's. This writer thinks that a Cookie Valannceas vs Danny Lopez fight in Ogden would be a sellout. Vernal had it's first amateur boxing show of 1977.

Some outstanding young prospects showed their stuff in the crowd pleasing exhibitions. Some of Utah's best were: Peter Stewart, 110, of Salt Lake; Tony Montoya, 118, of Salt Lake; Ronnie Romaon, 139, of Salt Lake; Jiff Sintiburg, 200, of Salt Lake; Tony Bullock, 198, of Midvale.

Tid Bits—Gene Fullmer opened his newest restaurant in down town Salt Lake City. Gene's other restaurant is five miles south in Midvale. Fullmer recently went to Montana to serve as the third man in the ring to the Karl Zurheide. Jimmy Sweet Owens fight a lightheavyweight bout won by Zurheide on a 10 round split in Midvale. . .Back in the gym of two one-time heavyweight hopefuls, former heavyweight AAU and golden gloves champ of Utah, Big Sonny Trail, and one time heavyweight contender Tony Doyle who fought Jerry Quarry to a draw. World champs, Joe Frazier and Jimmy Ellis thinking about a fight in South Africa. Tough light heavyweight spoiler Larry Cruz who fights anyone and everyone, who will take him on. A three fight series in Europe for Tony Pula, formerly of the Tonga Islands, is in the making. Pula is now fighting out of Midvale, Utah. He is a veteran of 30 pro fights says, that Bernardo MeCarado of Reno is the next heavyweight champ and the hardest hitter that he has ever face, Pula was stopped by MeCarado last year in Las Vegas in two rounds. . .Earl Young of Salt Lake, a look alike for Joe Frazier, says he will now fight as a junior welterweight because he felt that making the lightweight limit was the main reason that he was stopped in his last fight in Ogden losing on a seventh round TKO to Ray Hernandez .of Mexico. . .Marv Jerson former manager of Gene Fullmer and Rex Layne, tabs young Marvin Camel of Missoula, Ma. The best light heavyweight prospect today. Jenson should know. It was 16 years ago, Jenson tabbed another young light heavyweight for stardom (Cassius Clay.)

FORD POUNDS OUT NOD OVER FURLANO

By JIM JOHNSTON

Edmonton lightweight Al Ford, 136, pounded out a split 12-round decision at Winnipeg over Nicky Furlano, 135 of Toronto. Furlano rallied to win the last two rounds but it was not sufficient to overcome Ford's early lead.

In the semi, Paul Neilson, 208, stopped Bob Patterson, 201, at the end of 2.Neilson floored Patterson for a seven count with a left hook earlier in the round.

Vancouver middle Les Vegas, 167, outpointed Mike Morgan 162 of Minneapolis in a brisk sixer.

Vancouver heavyweight Scotty Welsh scored a second round kayo over Kenji Sabu at Langley, B.C. Welsh now seeks a bout with George Jerome for the Western Canada heavy title.

Vancouver middle Les Vegas was stopped in two rounds by Bobby Howard at Seattle. Vancouver heavy Jack Martin outpointed Chuck Borden in six. Nelson weighed 191 to 218 for Borden.

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PRO BOXING RETURNS TO VIRGINIA

By JAY LEVINSON

It's first professional card, in Virginia Beach—The SPORTS PROMOTIONS SERVICES Inc. held at Virginia Beach Dome was a great success in attendance. Every chair in the DOME, was filled. Haigh, intends to promote monthly shows. Middleweight Keith Broom won a unanimous decision over IRVING HINES, of Winston-Salem, N.C. in the 6 round feature bout. BROOM, former ALL-NAVY-champion at 165 lbs. who won the 1977, Golden Gloves National Crown, floored Hines for a nine count in the first round. It was the only knockdown of the bout. It came after Hines had caught Broom with a solid right to the face. Hines, 1976 National AAU Champion, came back strong, winning the second & fourth rounds. But Broom took control in the fifth, staggering Hines with a terrific right to the jaw.

The six-round semi-final bout was a mismatch as Charlie Smith of Norfolk, 1977 Virginia AAU 175 lb. champion, used 49-year-old Oscar Freeman, as a punching bag. Age, plus lack of serious training, was the downfall of Tidewater's, former Welterweight contender. This writer, knows Freeman for at least 25 years. He was a very good prospect 20 years ago. . .Virginia's Don Spellman, 197, of Richmond, landed a left and then a right, to K.O. Billy Howard, 194, of Winston-Salem in 52 seconds of the 1st round. It may be too soon, however, to pass judgement on Spellman, the 1976 Virginia AAU 175 pound champion. Howard had been knocked out eight times in 10 bouts, going into 1976. . .Hilbert Stevenson, another Winson-Salen fighter, scored a TKO over game, but outclassed Randell Stephon of Greensboro, in the fourth round. Both weighted 130 lbs. Stevenson, who fought on the controversial ABC-TV U.S. boxing Championships earlier this year, floored Stephen in the second and third rounds. Stevenson crowded Stephon, flooring him three times, when the referee stopped the bout at 1:53. . .In the opening four round bout, Marvin Ladson, 137, of Winston-Salem, landed the more effective punches to outpoint Will Rankin, 140 lbs. of Charlottesville. Rankin was making his pro debut. . .Fred Brown, 165, of Norfolk, got off to a fast start in his first pro bout scoring a TKO over Robert Gwynn, 165, of Winston-Salem in 1:02 of the 1st round. Brown, was runner-up in the Virginia AAU Championship in April, floored his opponent three times when the referee stepped in and stopped the fight. . .Anthony House, 165, of Winston-Salem, a veteran pro, gained a unanimous decision over Willie Wilson, 173, of Greensboro. There were no knockdowns, but House had the edge all the way. . . It didn't take long for Bobby Acey, 149, of Virginia Beach to get his man. The Norfolk policeman, making his pro debut knocked out Austin Davis, 153, of Winston-Salem in 36 seconds of the 1st round. Acey, the 1975 Virginia AAU novice champion, trapped Davis in a corner and pounded him with rights and lefts to the head. . .Making Virginia pro boxing history, Matt Robinson, 214 lbs. of Hyattville, Md. had a lady manager, Pat Coleman, in his corner. Robinson won a unanimous decision over Al Byrd, 198, of Winston-Salem.

REPORT FROM SWEDEN

By SVEN EKSTROM

For the first time in histroy Sweden has been visited by a representative team from the worlds most successful amateur boxing nation in recent years, Cuba.

The 11 man team made two successful appearances in Goteborg and Boraas against an European combination of fighters from Sweden, Denmark and West Germany. In Goteborg the Cubans suffered two defeats, welterweighter Julio Lee being outpointed byi Hannover-based West Indian Ted Dublin. Middleweighter Hermeguildo Baez was stopped in the third by David Attan, a Kenyan, also representing Hannover. Hardpunching Attan gained a curious kind of reputation, when he some months ago knocked out—by accident, of oucrse—the referee at a tournament in Hannover!

The "cosmopolitian" West German squad went home with its third victory over the Cubans, when in Boraas, Turkish bantamweighter Engin Yadigar flattened Isidro Despaigue in the third.

The Swedish boxing enthusiasts were, of course, disappointed that the two times Olympic winner, Cuban, Teofilo Stevenson couldn't make the trip.

Stevenson—who in Montreal "did it for Castro"!— was replaced by 19 year old Fidel Cesar Oquendo, by Cuban experts regarded as big Teofilo's successor.

Stevenson is considering to call it a day after next years World Championships at Belgrade.

BLACKMORE IS CONTENDER FOR COMMONWEALTH TITLE

PORT OF SPAIN—Battered, bruised and bewildered, Trinidad and Tobago's Claude Noel was spared the indignity of a knockout defeat by Doctor Hugh Spicer here at Sparrow's Hideaway at the hands of the Guyanese clobberer, Lennox Blackmore. Dr. Spicer jumped into the ring with one minute left in the tenth and final round and ended matters.

Referee George Cumberbatch, who was also in charge when the two lightweights met before, was probably thinking of the fiery criticism hurled his way for stopping that tilt when Noel's supporters felt he could have gone on.

This time Cuberbatch failed to intervene though Blackmore was punching Noel senseless, notching his second win over the local hero in three months. The rugged Guyanese has now established himself as a strong contender for the Commonwealth lightweight title.

Unlike the first fight when he allowed Noel to carry the attack, Blackmore was aggresive from the first bell. At 140 he enjoyed a six-pound advantage over his opponent and this made a tremendous difference as his punches hurt the Trinidadian every time he was tagged.

Noel looked confident at the beginning and scored with a few combinations in the second, but Blackmore was obviously in charge all the way. In the fifth stanza Noel again seemed to be causing the Guyanese some concern, until Blackmore put his two-fisted attack together and from the sixth round on took full command.

At the end of the ninth Noel was completely fizzed out with Blackmore having full measure of him and he launched a relentless attack in the final round which ended Noel's hope of squaring the match.

Noel had put in two solid months of training at Angelo Dundee's Miami camp for this bout but it failed to pay off. Blackmore was too strong and clever for the local boy and the defeat has set back his career considerably.

From Blackmore's camp came the news that he will be going after the Commonwealth crown.

TONY MOORE WINS TWO IN NEW ZEALAND

By R. C. Hall

Britans sixth ranked heavyweight Tony Moore paid a fleeting three week visit to these shores and went home with two wins under his belt.

In Auckland Moore spoilt the return after 18 months absence of flashy Toungam heavyweight Fonemanu (Young) Sekora, who was a terrific drawcard here in 1975. Sekona's return is good news for professional boxing in this country for the lack of a drawcard saw professional activity particularly in Auckland, the nation's largest city, almost die in 1976 and the first half of this year.

In the fight itself Moore (193) took a disputed unanimous decision over Sekona (201) after 10 rounds. Sekora appeared to lack full fitness in a bout that contained a lot of mauling.

In the main preliminary, a middleweight contest saw former local idol Battling La'Vassa attempt a ring comeback after 22 months of retirement. In a very good contest over eight rounds La'vassa was outpointed by a split decision by promising young boxer Viti Patterson. It certainly was not the La'vassa of old with his reflexes looking considerably slowed. Other bouts: Peter Clay (180) beat Tafaga Salonoa (175) points 8. Tanuli Mose (172) beat Kitty Ah Lam (175) Tko 4. Nu'u Tanivasa (162) beat Eddie Tauvi (164) TKO 1.

▲**In Wellington** three weeks later Tony Moore (195) comfortably outpointed another Tongam, the veteran Mani Vaka (201) over ten pounds. Moore piled up parts with good jabbing and making good use of his reach advantage. Vaka, a stocky short armed puncher, took many left hands as he tried to get close. Finally in the 6th round Vaka handed a solid left hook which staggered Moore but the latter quickly recovered to complete the fight. In preliminary fights:

Viti Patterson (156) decisioned Tom Parch (159) in 8.

Tavita Tui (174) TKOed Eli Patterson (172) in 4.

BAKER LOSES TO HOGAN

By SIR RICHARD LORD

Veteran Carl Baker, former Jamaica Heavyweight Champ is like all those vets who love the fight game, just won't hang up their gloves. He is in excellent condition. He went the distance. He had half a punch instead of completely nil he would have stopped young Al Hogan of the Lou Viscusin Camp. Hogan needs a lot of experience as Carl proved his lead right was never stopped and in the seventh round even though he couldn't hit had the young Hogan in serious trouble for he had tired so bad, Hogan received the just unanimous decision. The co-feature 10, in Tampa, Fla. pitted "ANDROS ERNIE BARR" vs Glen Morgan, trained by Joe Brady out of the Viscusi camp, Ernie racked up his 11th in a row when K.O.'d Glen Morgan in the sixth round. It was Toe to toe from opening bell as I told you Ernie never stops throwing punches and eventually just wears out his opponents. He loves to fight and always in top shape, he never has a weight problem always between 172-174, for Morgan he was 173 & Glenn was 171, he outboxed, outhustled and outslugged the tough Morgan. Ernie Mcquillan and the promoter in Australia were both ill now awaiting the new date for the Mundine Ernie Barr battle for the British Commonwealth L/H Championship. . . .

Sammy Kid Barr fought the other 10 rounder against Tough Mad Dog Ross of Orlando, ahead on the score cards a tired Sammy had to call it quits in the 9th round, he took the fight on a weeks notice and unfortunately wasn't in top shape, take nothing away from a favorite, Mad Dog Ross a very tough foe at all times and always in good shape.

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MIAMI BOXING NEWS

By HANK KAPLAN

Former WBC Junior middleweight champion, Elisha Obed of Nassau, dropped a ten round decision to Ayub Kalule, Uganda southpaw, in Copenhagen, Denmark. Moe Fliescher and Chris Dundee accompanied Obed, who, it appears, fought an uninspired battle. . .City of Miami Boxing Director, Dick Lee, served as Manager of the tourney team. Former World Boxing Association Featherweight champion Alexis Arguello, now turned junior lightweight, has established his training camp for upcoming Madison Square Garden bout, against Juan (Cocoa Sanchez, at the Miami Beach Fifth Street Gym. He is accompanied by Trainer Miguel Angel Rivas and his technical assistant, Luis Cortes. The former champ, known as a dynamiter, hails from Managua, Nicaragua and is sure to make his presence felt in the Junior Lightweight division. . .Jennifer Eden Mahannah, III, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Owens, crack middleweight prospect under the care of veteran fight manager and trainer, Sully Emmett, who also doubles as Miami Beach Gym manager for Angelo Dundee. . .In succeeding feature events at the Elizabeth Virrick Arena in Coconut Grove amateur shows, the following occurred (All three rounders):

Terry Cunningham won on points in a unanimous opinion over Jim Mitchell in a junior welterweight bout. Douglas Watts scored a decision win over Braulio Santiesteban in a featherweight match, and Braulio Santiesteban took a split decision over Johnny Brown in the 126 lb. class. Art Johnson was found a unanimous decision winner in a bout with Terry Cunningham as the result of a lightweight brawl. In a lightweight battle, Pete Tramettera, took a unanimous duke from Terry Cunningham in an entertaining match.

Former New York Lower East Side lightweight champ, known for his fancy footwork and speed, Eddie (Young) Glowery, just hit the 83 mark as he came through in good shape from a cateract operation. . .Just returned from a two week tour of Europe where he lined up future show material for his Miami promotions, Chris Dundee made stops at Copenhagen, Berlin, Paris, Amsterdam and London. . .Former heavyweight champ of the World Max Schmeling stopped at the Carillon Hotel for a couple of days while visiting with boyhood friend Leo Fogelvang, the health conditioner who operates the Health Club. Marvin Dick, former New York City featherweight who boxed all the tough 126 pounders of the fifties, is now Florida's top distributor of wines and related products. . .Lou Esa, thundering left-hooker heavyweight, dropped to 14-2-1 as he failed to unwind in a four rounder at Madison Square Garden in New York against veteran Roger Russell. . .Rapidly improving lightheavyweight prospect from Nassau, Ernie Barr, is getting recognition because of his good work in recent months. . .Angelo Dundee will soon unveil his new protege, former olypian Davey Armstrong, as a lightweight in the professional ranks. . .John English, a Houston welterweight with a 6-0-0 record, has also joined the Dundee school and will be heard from soon. . .Ike Hooks, now grown to welterweight proportions, has returned from Philadelphia to Miami ring activity. . .Juan Hidalgo is on request from promoters in Santo Domingo to challenge for National junior welterweight title honors. . .Rocky McCalub, heavyweight from Minneapolis and welterweight Ritchie Gonzalez from New Orleans, are two kids showing lots of improvement at the Fifth Street Gym. . .Rumors abound that the appealing lightweight confrontation between Esteban DeJesus and Roberto Duran will be held in Miami before the year is out. . .The Miami boxing community was saddened by the news of the accident in which Rodney Bobick lost his life. His last fight action, a ten round victory over Walter White was held at the Miami Jai-Alai Fronton.

COLBERT OVER CRUZ IN 10

By KELLY NICHOLSON

Portland, Ore. A crowd of 2,212 at Multnomah County Expo Center watched No. 1 world-ranked Mike COlbert capture the Portland Boxing Commission's Northwest middleweight title with a unanimous 10-round decision win over southpaw Rudy Cruz. Now 17-0, Colbert repeated a win over the ringwise Latin whom he met two years ago, but experienced obvious frustration in trying to cope with Cruz elusive style.

Some fine preliminary action saw Steve Chase, 139, recover from a first round assault to stop talented Curtis Ramsey in 4. Rocked and bleeding in the early going, the Kelso logger continued to apply pressure and twice dropped Curtis, 138, in the Portlander's own corner. Now 5-1-1, Ramsey showed obvious disappointment in his loss, but was the first to congratulate Chase in his professional debut when the TKo result was announced.

Doug Arlt, 168, suffered a split decision loss to James Williams, in Doug's first outing as a pro.

A crowd-pleasing women's 4-rounder matched California's Sue Fox and Gwen Gemini, 150, of Los Angeles. A lefthander, Fox held her own with the taller Gwen in a spirited draw.

Portland's John Sullivan, 152, made it 5-1 with a hardfought 6-round decision over tough C.J. Brown of Eugene.

It was a promising effort on the part of Northwest Sports and president-matchmaker Ron Ail, who from present indications should face no shortage of local talent in months to come. Gross take exceeded $,000.

▲Hillsboro, Ore. After a 55 year absence, professional boxing made a welcome return to this town with promoter Bob Oleson's 6-bout card at Hillsboro Mid High School. The feature event saw Portland's Daryl Penn win a hardfought split decision over C.J. Brown, 161, of Eugene. The 6-round tussle was strong preparation for Penn, who expects to soon face N.A.B.F. middleweight champ Ray Seales in a British Columbia rings.

Al Neuman of Renton scored a 4-round decision over Paul Guynes, 192, in the opener. A bit stronger at 195, Neuman did not lose a round, though teach landed some fair shots with Al's jab the difference.

In a 4-round pairing of former amateur champions Washington's Steve Chase, 140, staged a businesslike exhibition, holding his own through much of the going with stockier 147-lb. Webb.

Burly Ken Arlt, 224, battled his way through 4 rounds with Gary Keenan, 196½, in a bout which won deserved applause at its end. Stunned several times by Arlt's heftier blows, Keenan fought back to last the distance with Ken winning unanimously in what was for each aj pro debut.

In a torrid rematch of Portland rivals, Doug 'Rhino' Arlt and James Williams traded for 6 rounds with Williams scoring a repeat decision win. Taller at 172, James rocked his stout foe with rights and lefts to the chin while Doug, 173, scored persistently with 2-handed volleys and flailing overhand rights to the head.

St. Paul heavyweight Jim Beattie showed seriousness in his fistic comeback by sparring 4 hard rounds with Everett, Washington's rugged Ibar Arrington. At 6'8, giant Jim teed off with jabs, rights and bludgeoning left hooks, while the unperturbed sailor waited his turn and slugged through Beattie's guard with some wicked blasts of his own.

HARDIMAN OVER APARICIO

Young Enterprise is again making an attempt to revive professional boxing in Belize.

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In the main event Frank Humes, BElize, 140, won a unanimous decision over Feliz Mendez, 138, of Vera Cruz in a hard fought 10 rounder.

▲On another card at Birds Isle in Belize, Fitzroy Guisseppi won a hard fought but unanimous 10 round victory over Rudolpho (Pato) Fuentes, lightweight champion of El Salvador.

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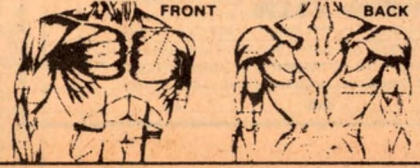

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AYALA WIN SKEIN BROKEN BY MARTINEZ

By JIM NOLAND

San Antonio — The luster of Mike Ayala's undefeated record has vanished. Former world champion, Rodolfo Martinez, hammered out a seventh round TKO.

After two rounds, "Cyclone" Ayala had the edge but Martinez showed a southpaw stance and earned the third as Mike stayed on the ropes.

The fourth and fifth rounds were brutal as Mike went to the head while his challenger body punched.

A left to the body dropped Ayala. Two uppercuts to the head decked the San Antonian again, but he refused to quit. In the seventh, Mike flew out and wobbled the Mexican with a head crunching lefthook. When it looked as if Ayala would pull the bout out of the fire, the crafty challenger fired back with an array of blows. The referee stopped it at the 2:53 mark awarding Martinez the NABF superbantamweight crown.

Mike's father-manager stated afterwards, "He had no zip tonight. He got married less than two weeks ago. The next time they meet, the tables will turn."

Robert Vasquez, 134½, leading on all scorecards was looking sharp until an Augustine Estrada right closed the curtains in the ninth. Vasquez of the Alama City decked the Mexican, 133½, by way of two lefthooks in the fifth of a scheduled ten.

Lightweight Tony Aranda, S.A., nabbed a unanimous decision from Laredo's Juan Ramirez over ten rounds before 4516 fans.

In a sixer, localist Harrison knocked out batamweight Oscar Antu of Eagle Pass with a right in 2.

▲**Laredo** — Local bantamweight, Sergio Reyes, drilled a left hook in the third to the jaw of Melvin Johnson, Clovis, New Mexico, causing a broken jaw and two lost teeth.

In the semi-ten, Toney Moreno knocked out flyweight Joaquin Rodriguez of Meciso with a nice left to the liver in round 4.

▲San Antonio — Bazooka Limon, Mexico City, took a unanimous decision off rugged Augustine Estrada of Juarex.

In the second ten, Rafael Duran was credited with a second round knockout over canvas bound Luis Rico, 121. Nuevo Laredo Duran caught his San Antonio foe with a left cross.

Rosendo Garcia, Monterrey, bounced Jose Reyna, Robstown, off the deck three times for a third round termination. Both contestants, 123.

The sic round opener was all fireworks as local lightweight rivals, Victor Sid and Victor Villanueva, churned out more leather than in most full ten rounders. The draw decision was only fair.

Slow punching Limon, 132, used his right jab and left cross to pack up eight rounds. The equally slow Estrada was in reverse most of the time which was a turnabout style of his usual first fear. Limon didn't show the 1420 fans his damaging bombs until the tenth when he stunned his opponent, but even then he failed to land a knockdown.

▲**Austin** — After several years layoff, boxing returned to the capital city under the direction of youngster Randy Fletcher. In the special eight round main event, local heavyweight hero Sonny Kissman was outpointed byi Verlyi Price of Abilene. Ed Modicue, Schreveport, and San Antonio's Trini Hernandez hooked up for the best fight of the night. Modicue scored three knockdowns before registering a 9th round TKO in this welter clash.

GANIGAN ADDS TWO MORE

By TED YAMACHIKA

Andrew Ganigan, 135¼, Hawaii's only nationally rated fighter, knocked out veteran Tury Pineda, 136, Mexico, in two rounds at the Blaisdell Memorial Center arena. It was a clean kayo. The local flash caught Pineda with a left hook to the chi. Pineda went down, tried desperately to get up, but was unable to beat the count.

This was probably Ganigan's greatest win to date. However, it must be added that the Pineda of this fight was not the Pineda of two years ago.

Edwin Alarcon, 122½, Philippines, chilled Santiago Hernandez, 123¾, Mexico, in the 1st of a scheduled tenner.

Rolando Pastor, 129¾, Philippines, knocked out Pabano Martinez, 125, Mexico, in the 4th of 5.

Alberto Cabanig, 117½, Philippines, finished Charlie Jaiaut, 117½, Thailand, in 2.

Fili Afa, 147¾, Samoa, decisioned Stanley Gonsalves, 147¾, Honolulu 4.

The fight, promoted by Boxing Enterprises, Ltd., drew this year's high of better than 550 fans and grossed over thirty thousand dollars.

▲**Andrew Ganigan won another fight** but it wasn't much of a win. However, it was his sixteenth consecutive.

His opponent was Tom Tarantino, a lightweight from Wisconsin.

Ganigan, 135, did get a TKO win in the 7th but it didn't look impressive. The fight was stopped by referee Wilbert Minn, who possibly didn't see any reason for letting it go on.

In a companion ten, Amie Peregrino, 137, Philippines, came back after being floored twice himself to knock out Tiger Nogi, 137¼, Japan, in the 5th.

Rolando Pastor, 127, Philippines, decisioned Mario Manrique, 129, Mexico, in 5.

Fifi Afa, 148, Samoa, finished Stanley Gonsalves, 150, Honolulu, in the 1st of 4.

Ronald Richardson, 141, Honolulu, outpointed Edmond Gouveia, 139, Honolulu, in 4.

GONZALES OVER OWENS

By SHIRLEY NORMAN

Middleweight Jimmy Owens . . . who calls himself "Sweet Sugar Demon" must have been posseddes by demons in his bout at th eSilver Slipper Strip in Las Vegas.

The normally aggressive fighter was on therun for the entire 2 rounds of his main event bout against Zeferino Gonzales of Los Angeles.

Gonzales managed to re-open a cut ove Owens left eye—a cut that Demon had sustained in a previous fight at Missoula, Montana.

So decisive was Gonzales victory that all three judges scored identical cards of 49-40 in his favor.

It was a great night for the Gonzales clan—as Zeferino's brother, Chris, fighting at 148, won a third round TKO over his opponent, Chico Geronimo, 151. Geronimo was knocked twice to the canvas during the round . . . until the bout was stopped by referee Ferd Hernandez at 1:57.

A scheduled four-round fight of bantamweight females saw a strange ending . . when Rosi Cappello of Bakersfield, California, retired at 1:29 of the first round. Her opponent, Karen Bennett, of Las Vegas, was obviously too much for Cappello in her first pro bout.

The opening six-rounder saw Roberto Guiterrez, 126, win a close decision over Rodrigo Aguirre, 129, of Mexico. Guiterrez, who works as sparring partner for featherweight champion Danny Lopez, handilyi won the first three rounds. Aguirre came to life and took the fourth and fifth—but a closely-fought sixth round gave the decision to Guiterrez.

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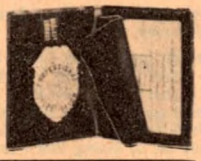

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THAI KO'S KOREAN In 10th

By FELIPE J. C. GALANG

Manila: Tongta Kiatyayupakdi, 144½, of Thailand Kayoed Korean Kap Soo Kim, 144¾, in 10th round of the main event of 12 round at the Rizal Coliseum. The end came when Tongta was punching the Korean without any return and could no longer defend himself. The Korean had his best round in the eighth when he shook up Tongta with his deadly right hooks. Tongta also kayoed Dan de Guzman in the 8th round in the same stadium. It was promoted by P. Hitosis in non title bout.

Leo Viajedor, 131, kayoed Willie Asuncion, 131, in the 3rd. It was one-sided bout until the 3rd. Ric Diamale, 119, stopped Sany Torres, 121 in 10.

▲Dimetrio Alferez, 109, beat Bonnie Cajes, 111, in Mati, Davao and promoted by L. Gregorio. Junior Flyweight contender Alferez had a hard time in beating Cajares, a young and promising fighter.

▲Davao City: Juliuis Gonzaga, 114, defeated Franco Torrecosa, 114, in 10 rounds promoted by Andres Ong. The favorite, Franco, had met his equal in Gonzaga, who slugged with him from all angles. Glen Orlanes, 114, defeated Fexlix Gorregosa, 114, in 10. Orlandes had an easy sailing with Felix whose principal assest was his toughness.

▲Manila: Leo Viajedor, 133, kayoed Joe Lim in 9th round of a scheduled 10. Viajedor became the master of Lim as the fight progress. The referee stopped th bout when he saw that Lim was no longer able to defend himself.

Andy Balaba, 109, kayoed Pharsrithong Fairtex, 109, of Thailand in 8Neptali Alamag, 120, kayoed Ric Diamale, 119, in 2.

▲Oroquita City: Young Fely, 126, beat Johnny Sato, 128, in 10. Both are contenders in the featherweight division. They exchanged punches from the first to the last with Fely having a slight edge.

▲La Union: Dommy Marolena, 118, drew with Renato Paulinp, 115½, in 12. Dommy is No. 2 and Renato is No. 3 in the bantam division.

▲Davao City: Nene Jun, 129, won over Johnny Sato, 129, in 10 rounds in Agustin Garcia's promotion. Nene was too good for Sato.

▲Manila: Ric Quiajano, 121, beat Soonhyun Chung, 121, in 12 rounds. The Filipin o proved to his fans that he is the rightful king of the Junior Featherweights of the Orient. The promotion was by Lope Sarreal Jr.

▲Gen. Santos City: Fel Clementes, 124, frew with Noel Arriesgado, 124, in 10 rounds. Show promoted by Fl. Peligrino.

▲Tagum, Davao: Tony Co., 111, won over Danilo Berdida, 113, in 10 promoted by M. Darmayo. Tony is rated No. 7 and Danilo is No. 6 so they were fighting for their ratings. Tony made a good showing but could not put Berdida away.

▲Cebu City: Andy Balaba, 110, defeated Flor Escobido, 109, in 10 rounds. Promoted by George Jacinto. Escobido had the punch but found Andy too smart for him.

▲Angeles City: George Pedroso, 111, won over Arnel Arrozal, 112, in 10 rounds under the promotion of A. Esguerra. The No. 3 Flyweight defeated the No. 1 flyweight contender. Pedroso was fast and clever for Arnel.

▲The Monthly ratings of the Orient are as follows: Jr. Fly-Sangil Chung, K Champion; Contenders: Flor Escobido, P, 2. Netrnoi Vorasing, T, 3. Sungjoon Kim, K, 4. Demetrio Alferez, P, 6. Phararithong Fairtx, T, 7. Maksong Kim, K, 8. Puma Koya, J. 9. Rolly Garcia Ramos, P, 10. Yongjun Kim, K.

Flyweight-Jiro Takada, Japan, Contenders: 1. Orlando Javierto, P, 2. Tsutomu Igargshi, J, 3. Dan Pisalchai, T, 4. Hongsoo Yang, K,5. Bernabe Villacampo, P. 6. Arnel Arrozal, P, 7. Hakyung Kim, K, 8. Chaiyong Muangsurin, T, 9. Murhasjim, I, 10. Eddie Galler, P.

BANTAMWEIGHT—Soohwan Hong of Korea, Chamption and Contenders: 1. Rolando Navarrete, P, 2. Tsuhoshi Okabe, J, 3. Yungshik Kim, K, 5. Mongkorondum Muangsurin, T, 6. Chuna Park, K, 7. Pharkumron Vibulchai, T, 8. Go Mifume, J, Dommy Marolena, P, 10. Go Numata, J.

Jr. FEATHERWEIGHT—Ric Quijano, Champion and Contenders: 1. Arman Sangoyan, P, 2. Saengkeun Koh, K, 3. Kunphollek Sakornphitak, T, 4. Yu Kasahara, J, 5 Soonhyun Ghung, K, 6. Nap Cajetas, P, 7. Waruingue Nakayama, J 8. Vechaun Senaphitak, T, 9. Felix Villegas, P, 10. Hizami Mizuno, J.

FEATHERWEIGHT—Boksoo Hwang, orea and Contenders: Nene Jun, P, 2. Nunthabureng Leadbankoye, T, 3. Flipper Uehara, J, 4. Unchoul shin, K, 5 Colley Saloma, P, 6. Thanomchit Sukothai, T, 7. Spider Nemoto, J, 8. Shuntae Yuh, K, 9. Young Fely, P, 10. Shigeyoshi Adachi, J.

Jr. LIGHTWEIGHT: Apollo Yoshio, Japan, Contenders: 1. Yidano Lee, K, 2. Al Espinosa, P, 3. Yasutsune uehara, J, 4. Rey Tamp P, 5 Yungil Park, K, 6 Takao Maruki, J, 7. Haseum Chung, K, 8. Leo Viajedor, P, 9. Bomber Uehida, Dosy 10. Dony Soriano, P.

LIGHTWEIGHT—Yongho Oh, Chamption, Contenders: 1. Masa Ito, J, 2. Malaithong Sithkum, T, 3. Sperlin Pangaribuan, I, 4. James Clavilaz, P, 5. Tony Jumao-as, P, 6. Mitsuyuki Nakane, J, 7. Tongta Kiatvayupakdi, T, 8 Kwangsun Kim, K, 9. Yungsun Kim, K, 10. Masahiro Yokai, J.

JR. WELTERWEIGHT—Wongso Suseno, Champiom, Contenders: 1. Chongho Kim, K, 2. Tetsuo Furuyama, J, 3. Jong Sathiragyo, T, 4. San de Guzman, p, 5. Ely Yares, P, 6. Sabgyun Kim, K, 7. Narongsakdi Dekajorn, T, 8. Naboru Hitakeyama, J, 9. Yoshiaki Ogino, J, 10 Hubert Kang, K.

WELTERWEIGHT—Ryu Soromachi, Japan, Contenders: Gideon Tayogon, P, 2. Kapaoo Kim, K, 3. Shiji Tsujimoto, J, 4. Satanfa S. Pratip, T, 5. Tazan Tabaru, J, 6 Min Cho, K, 7. Toto Gonaaga, P, 8. mBufalo Suzuki, J, 9. Thamingthong Singsamang, T, 10. Chilhi Park, K.

JR. MIDDLWEIGHT—TSTOMU HAGUSA, JAPAN, CHAMPION. Contenders: 1. Alberto Cruz, P, 2. Kinji Shibata, J, 3. Ho Joo, K, 4. Sumio Kai, J, 5. Jaekeun Yim, K, 6. Armando Boniquit, p, 7. Frisco Montemayor, P, 8. Dongan Park, K, 9. Midemori Tsujimoto, J, 10. Kyungil Lee, K.

MIDDLEWEIGHT—Jaedo Yuh, Champion, Contenders: 1. Masashi Kudo, J, 2. Namyong Park, K, 3. Rudy Siregar, P, 4. Hangwon Kang, K, 6. Peter Nambuku, J, 7. Chung keun Park, K. 8. Saburo Sakai, J, 9. Eyehoon yuh, K, 10. Takeshi Isumi, J.

P. Philippines
K. Korea
J. Japan
T. Thailand
I. India

COOKIE VALENCIA WINS STATE TITLE

By CHAPPY FUNNELL

The biggest fight crowd since the 1961 middleweight title bout between Gene Fullmer and Florentino Fernandez packed the Golden Spike Coliseum in Ogden for the State featherweight title showdown between Richard Alvarado and Cookie Valencia. No one went home diappointed.

The bout was a donnybrook. Both fought their best for 12 hard rounds.

Cookie punched too hard and was too fast for the classy Alvarado. It was real big win for Cookie Valencia.

Cookie said, after the bout that he hoped to use this win as a stepping stone for anon-title bout in Ogden with the world featherweight champ Danny Red Lopez. A crowd of 2000 happy fans cheered their local hero for ten minutes after the decision was announced.

The Officials were referee Del Markham and the two judges were Jay Fullmer and O.J. Kayhoa. The decision was unanimous.

STATE FEATHERWEIGHT TITLE: Cookie Valencia—Ogden, Wins on 12 round decision Richard Alvarado—Salt Lake City.

FEATHERWEIGHT SEMI-FINAL 10 ROUND: Javier Flores—Salt Lake City, Ko 1 Jose Davey Rodriguez—Phoenix.

HEAVEWEIGHT: Jeff Schellberg—Salt Lake City, KO 43 seconds Pete Anada—Phoenix.

featherweight: Ike Williamson—Hollywood, KO 2 Rocky Rellano—Ogden.

MIDDLEWEIGHT: Gary Miller—Ogden, KO 1 Tom Babre—Denver.

MUNDINE AGAIN WINS AUSSIE HEAVY TITLE

By RAY MITCHELL

Australian heavyweight champion Maile Haumona, 209, met his gymmate Tony Mundine, 181, in a ten, three-minute round bout billed as non-title, at Port Moresby but was halted in the last round so blew his title on the rule about champion losing his title when stopped in a three-minute-round fight, providing both contestants are within the weight limit of the division in which the champion holds the title. As there is no upward weight limit for heavyweights, Haumona took a big risk in going over thre-minute rounds.

This is the second time Mundine has held the Australian heavyweight crown. Shen he was middleweight champion he beat Foster Bkbron to take his seat on the big one. Then he retired, made a comeback soon afterwards as a light-heavy, won the Australian and Commonwealth light-heavy titles, now has added the heavyweight.

As to the fight itself, it was a very good one — after a warming-up period of three rounds. Mundine was too smart and hit too hard but Haumona showed great courage throughout. Six times he was decked, three times in the final round.

▲At the Sandgate Football Club, Boondall (Brisbane suburb), Hector Thompson, 144, met Ross Eadie, 1456, for the vacant welter championship of Australia (previous holder, Steve Dennis has not fought since he won the title 13 months ago). In a hard fight Hector held the winning reins but was kept busy by aggressive Eadie — until the 12th round when Hec landed a smashing rip to the body, fracturing two of Eadie's ribs. Ross took the full count.

In a 10-round support Noel Kelly, 130, drew with Rex Cannon, 123.

Episode six of the continuing sage of Paul Ferreri versus Brian Roberts took place at Marrickville R.S. L. Club. This was for Ferreri's Australian bantamweight title, and this was the first of their meetings not to last the full distance. Referee Vic Patrick called it off with some 15 seconds to go to the final bell (15 rds), with Roberts dazed. Brian had been down in that round and twice earlier. Ferreri, 117, boxed like a world class boxer — which he is — while Roberts, very light at 116, was tentative through much of the bout. Look for Roberts as a featherweight in future. He is a good boy, fast, clever.

▲It was only an eight-rounder that headlined the boxing at South Sydney Junior Leagues Club, Kingsford, but it was notable for the beautiful boxing of young Victorian Steve Butler, 143. This lad, cool and effective, landed punches through spaces that did not appear large enough to fit a boxing glove. He countered, took the initiative, boxed on the backmove and going forward, and his technique was great to watch. On the other end of his gloves was game Dave Agnew, also 143. It was Butler by a points decision as he painted Agnew from forehead to waistband.

¡▲Two tens headlined the bill at Melbourne Festival Hall. Billy Mulholland, 135½, that clever and exciting little battler, was held to a draw by bustling Frank Ropis, 139, in the best fight seen in Melbourne for some time.

In the other ten, a much quieter meeting, southpaw Jimmy Brown, 128, comfortably outpointed Brian Clayton, 129 from South Australia.

Jim Gillon, 160, halted Mich Ramon, 160, in the last round of an exciting fight.

Promoter Kevin Watterson and his matchmaker Norm Foster are doing a gret job at Melbourne Festival Hall.

▲Papuan idol Martin Beni, 147, easily outpointed New South Welshman Speedy Duke, 143, over ten at Port Moresby.

▲At South Sydney Juniors Al Gattling, 175, and Terry Fox, 176, turned on a willing hard-hitting battle billed for ten rounds. Fox was softened up after the half-way mark and the bout was halted in Gattling's favour in the seventh session.

▲At Manly-Warringah Leagues Club, Brookvale Dick Bolton, 145, outpointed Box McQueeney, 144, in a good eight-rounder.

▲At Balga, Western Australia Victorian Glen Howard, 135½, easily outpointed W.A. Junior-welter Eugene "Kid" Eades, 138, ovet ten.

HEAIR KO's HAGGERTY IN MEMPHIS FIASCO

By JOEL LIPSITT

Holiday Inn, Rivermont, Memphis Tennessee — What could have capped an otherwise fine evening of professional boxing for 1,850 fans unfortunately ended in a fiasco. Former top lightweight contender Jimmy Heair, 143, Houston, Miss. had just recently come off a stunning 3rd round TKO victory over the world's 5th ranked junior welterweight, Rudy Hernandez of Los Angeles, Ca. in Tucson. The victory over Hernandez followed a disappointing decision loss to the U.S. 6th ranked junior welterweight, Freddie "The Stepper" Harris, in Heair's Memphis debut.

This evening Heair was matched with one Dennis Haggerty, 149 Dallas, Texas, in the 10-round stellar presentation. Heair was obviously intent on proving himself to Memphis fans. After just 19 seconds of the opening round and only during a brief exchange of mild punches, Heair landed what seemed to be only a glancing blow to the left side of Haggerty's body. To the crowd's amazement, Haggerty's legs immediately turned to rubber as he tried desperately to hang on before he unexpectedlyi fell to his knees. He arose surprisingly groggy after taking a 9 count as the crowd roared their disapproval. Once again Heair moved in to continue the battle, but Haggerty seemed to want no more of Heair for the evening. Haggerty attempted to ward off Heair with a few feeble punches, but Jimmy bore in and thre a light left hook to the body which spun Haggery into the ropes where he swayed for a few moments before toppling over. This time the crowd was really booing as Heair gestured to the fans in apparent disgust.Haggerty barely made it up before the final count. Just as Jimmie approached, Haggerty halfway turned sideways and collapsed from a shove as the round ended.

In round 2, Haggerty briefly showed a little more interest and began with a volley of punches aimed at Heair's head of which almost all missed. Jimmy now muscled him into a neutral corner where he failed away with a few body shots flooring Haggerty flat on his back under the lower ring stand. He gazed up at Heair and it was all over at 1:52 of the 2nd heat.

In the 8 round semi-go, likeable featherweight, Eddie Freeman, 125, Memphis, continued on his winning ways with an impressive 4 round TKO at 2:35 over an outclassed but game youngster in Gerald Bradley, 128, New Orleans. Bradley, who won the 1st round with a piston like jab, was moving nicely and looked a little like former featheerweight king, Sandy Saddler. In the 2nd stanza, Freeman shorter and stockier, began to get inside of Bradley's long arms and was beginning to find his body with solid shots causing Bradley to grasp and hold. Suddenly, Bradley's nifty jab was no longer there and even with a quick flurry of blows to Freeman's head, he was not able to ward off Eddie's relentless body attacks. In the 3rd canto, Freeman continued to apply the old philosophy "Kill the body and the head will die." He cornered Gerald in his own corner and banged away with nice body shots that floored him for an 8 count. Bradley managed to last the round but the end was inevitable. In the fatal 4th round, Bradley for the 1st minute seemed to get his second win and was holding his own until Freeman once again pummeled away at his body dropping Bradley to his knees, gloves touching the floor. Gerald managed to beat the count but at this moment his corner wisely intervened signaling referee Herman Stevens, who halted the fight.

In a 6-rounder, classy welterweight Freddy Jackson, 149, New Orleans, had a very easy time in giving another local Memphian favorite, Phil Reed, 150, a severe pasting over the entire distance. The local crowd was on their feet giving their hero an ovation while Jackson looked on in bewilderment.

In a short-lived slam bang 6 round co-feature, sharp punching southpaw Michael Pheriot, 137, New Orleans, making his 2nd professional start, TKO'd Memphian veteran Simmie Black, 139, on a severe eye cut at 1:11 of the 3rd heat. Pheriot, with relatively little experience, surprisingly displayed a fantastic arsenal of punches which had Black shook in the 1st round until a solid right hook to the head deposited him for an 8 count. In the 2nd round a flurry of blows dropped Black for a 9 count before the eye injury in the fatal 3rd stanza.

In a bruising action packed 4 rounder, middleweight Mike Westridge, 155, Memphis, participating in his 3rd professional bout, outslugged a game and determined Roger Wells, 157, Memphis, in a non-stop old fashioned "Pier Sixer" to win a unanimous decision.

In the disappointing 4 round curtain raiser of the evening, heavyweight Don Martin, at a flably 225, Memphis, iced Dough Otterman, 210, zMemphis at 1:49 of the 1st round. Two looping right chops to the jaw did the trick flooring Otterman flat on his back.

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